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# LIVE MANGER SCENE



Pictured here is the live Manger scene on the Barium Springs campus

prior to the holiday season. It was staffed daily by the boys and girls under the direction of James Gilmore, Director of Youth Activities.

The setting of the scene was along U. S. Highway #21 near Little Joes' Presbyterian Church. Live sheep were also used. It was staffed for ten days and received many stoppers and visitors. Both children and staff enjoyed this new venture for the Home and look forward to an even larger scene next holiday season.

## Great News For Child-Care Staff

Another first has been recorded with the announcement to the child-care staff of the extension training school. This is a fifteen week training course to be held on the campus of the University of North Carolina in Charlotte and beginning on Tuesday, January 31st. It is conducted by the Extension Division of the University of Wisconsin. The course will have as its discussion leader Mr. John R. Ball, on the staff of the Department of Mental Health of the State.

Four Homes for Children will cooperate. In addition to Barium Springs Home for Children will be the Episcopal Homes in Charlotte and York, S. C. and Alexander Children's Center of Charlotte.

Ten child-care staff members from Barium Springs will go each Tuesday to Charlotte for the training. In addition to class discussion there will be reading assignments as well as written reports. Diplomas will be awarded at the conclus-

This is great news for us at Barium Springs and we are happy that we can take credit for its initiation. It's the first time such a training program has been offered to any child-care staff in the State of North Carolina.

# Urgency of Need

Dr. Elmer L. Anderson, President of the Child Welfare League of America, said in a recent statement, "There is reason to believe that only one-fourth to one-half of the children in need of child welfare services are receiving them." He further stated, "The total number of children potentially in need of help is estimated to be over 21/2 million.

The need then is urgent. Can you think of any better way to help fill this need than through our own Presbyterian denominational family service agency.

# ATTENTION

Many of our subscribers may want to keep this issue of the MESSENGER. We hope you will reread several times the article "Dimensions in Child Care."

Also, may we suggest that you share your copy with friends who may not be getting the paper.

Incidentally, if your address has changed be sure to advise us. We have to pay ten cents for each copy mailed to a wrong address.

If you should be receiving two copies why not take one to church and put it on a bulletin board. Also, feel free to add a notice along with it that new subscribers are encouraged. No charge, of course.

# DIMENSIONS IN CHILD-CARE

There seems to be a need to put in writing some of the concepts of contemporary needs of children and their families. Also, something needs to be said about current knowledge of needs and the ways that are open to help some of the problems of those in need. The following is no attempt to be all inclusive, but simply an effort to provide information and maybe strike a chord of new interest among our readers.

#### BIBLICAL CONCEPT OF CARE:

The whole Bible is a story of God's interest in, concern for, and love of people. From the days of creation, when God looked upon that which he had made and said 'It is good" to the book of Revelation, when God revealed even more fully his plan in eternity for those he loved, we have recorded God's love for mankind.

In the Bible is a record of those mighty word-deeds through which God called both the Bible and the church into being. Israel, as God's servant, was called to be witness to God's revelation. Likewise Christians are called to be Christ's witnesses. The church bears witness to the gospel by all it is and does. For God did not die with the close of the New Testament; He is still mightily at work in his church and through His church in the world.

The story is a very personal one —it is a story of the people of God—and we are "God's own people." Therefore, the story is our story: The story of our sin and need, yet the story of God's grace working in us and through us. Through this story we find our true security, for it is God's story. God's salvation places upon us, His people, a corresponding responsibility—to be His witnesses. For "to whom much is given, of him much be required." To share this Good News is a glorious privilege and an inexpressible joy.

From the days of our childhood in Sunday School we remember most those things that Jesus did as related to us in story form. How He healed the sick, restored sight to the blind, gave aid to the poor, remembered the widow and the orphan. Christ cared much for the individual person,—was concerned about the needs, hopes and desires of others and wanted the best of care for those of special need.

Before going away Jesus said, "I will not leave you desolate, I will come to you." John 14:18. The desolate today are those who are poor, neglected, dependent, forgotten, disturbed, upset, disadvantaged, often sick physically, mentally and spiritually. Many of these today are children either not wanted or children who are left for a period of their life without the proper care. As Jesus said "... I will come to you," so must we be

true to Him, as we witness in His name to these in need.

#### NO LONGER THE ORPHAN CHILD

There was the day when it was only the child in need. For in those days before the turn of this century there were large numbers of orphan children. The ravages of disease took parents away from children at an early age. Now, thanks to medical science we live longer.

But to serve the orphan child the church established orphanages. Literally thousands of fine citizens today received their training for life in a children's home. But the orphanage was established to meet certain needs. Now these needs are no longer nearly so important as

they were. We must not think of our children's home as it was forty or fifty years ago. Times have changed. There is rarely an orphan—only about two in every one-hundred who are cared for away from their own home. Neither is poverty the reason for a child to be away from its home-now there is financial assistance for the unemployed, the sick and those homes where the breadwinner has deserted or died.

#### WHO ARE THE CHILDREN IN NEED?

Then, who are these children needing care? Really there are more children than ever before. The fact is there are more needing care than ever before. These children come from families that are sick. Some are physically sick, others mentally ill. Some are sinful.

They are children from broken homes, of separation and divorce and remarriage. Mostly, these are children that have been neglected, sometimes willful, but also unintentional. These children come out of a troubled world; they are children of tension and from families that are upset. From homes where parents have deserted and have been guilty of all sorts of irresponsible behavior. More often than not the children themselves are upset-some are very sick, disturbed and pre-delinquent.

The children for the most part then come from very inadequate backgrounds, whose parents are too immature to be parents or too incompetent economically or socially to be able to offer adequate caring or training to the child. A few are half-orphans whose remaining parent cannot take on both the financial responsibility and the child-caring responsibility for his chil-

Yes, today we are serving an entirely different type of child with altogether different problems. An orphan could accept death. One cannot undo death. Death he can see nor does he have to explain it to himself or to anyone. On the other hand it is very hard for a

child to understand why his home is unstable, why seemingly he is not wanted, nor even why his family is unable to care for him.

Some of the children we are called upon to serve are very difficult to help. Many have lost trust in adults; the adults they loved the most have let them down. They have lost trust in themselves and want to take the blame for what has happened to them. In some instances they have lost trust in God himself.

#### THE FAMILY AND THE HOME:

These changes should say much to us as a church. They do present a great challenge and an opportunity for a truly redemptive min-istry to the home. Without a doubt the greatest challenge confronting the Christian Church today in America is the home. Through our work in the children's home and with the local church and the child's family in the community, we not only have a challenge but a burden that falls upon us to try to put together the broken pieces. When we accept a child, we must not consider it as the breakup of a family, but rather as an opportunity to begin some new relationship within the family circle.

Then we are saying that we must concern ourselves with the entire family. When we accept a child—we accept his family. We agree to do all that we can to help rehabilitate this family and either keep the child there or if removed to return him to his own home as soon as possible. In other words we have a child centered but family oriented program.

#### TREATMENT ORIENTED:

Not only must our program be family oriented but it must be treatment oriented. More and more must our program be both preventive and remedial. When a child is accepted into the program we get only the "result," not the "cause." Thus no longer can we be content with simply a custodial institution.

The orphan child who came to us in the past for help had needs that were much less than their modern, jet-age counterparts. Many of these children now coming to our Church Homes are hyperactive, angry, jealous, distrustful, feeling unwanted and rejected. They are not prepared to accept kindness and love. Sometimes they have temper tantrums, run away, guilty of theft and are very rude and dis-respectful to any adult. Oftentimes, child has been in and out of foster homes every since he was a mere baby. None of these homes had been able to help or should we say to tolerate or keep the angry and destructive child that he had become.

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By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

#### THE FEAR OF WEAKNESS

A little school girl was having trouble with her arithmetic. When she studied her lessons at home she got along fine. There she did good work because her parents helped her. But when she went to class the next day to take a test, she would feel funny in the stomach and perhaps get a headache. She thought something must be wrong with her because of the uncomfortable feeling. She, therefore, did her best to "squash" it.

However, she was assured and reassured that what she felt was nothing unusual. She was told that the apprehension was perfectly normal, that all persons felt the same way when they faced uncertainty and limitations. She was encouraged to believe that it wouldn't be too bad to miss a few of the arithmetic questions. She was also advised to accept the funny feeling in her stomach when it came.

In this case the little girl was able to accept the "funny feeling" and not be quite as concerned about getting all the answers right. Her headaches improved and she was somewhat surprised that she made better grades in arithmetic.

Even if most of our problems aren't quite so simple, and most of our solutions so easy, in many ways quite a few of us are like the little girl. We spend a lot of time and energy trying to avoid our anxiety when our salvation lies in accepting it as part of our human experience.

One way of trying to avoid our anxiety is to seek a Saviour who is above such finite emotions. I noticed this when working on a paper about anxiety. My professor was opposed to the subject and to my conclusions. I could not understand why, since the subject was developed in line with the Scriptures and in accord with accepted educational theory. It finally occurred to me that this particular man was not willing to admit that Jesus experienced anxiety, as I suggested in the paper. He felt that His' perfect faith must exclude any such emotion. He wanted his Saviour to be only God, not man.

Apparently, he did not want Him to know anxiety arising out of finite limitations because he did not want to be subject to the same himself. If he could have faith in a Saviour that had no "negative" human feelings, then he could rise above them also. He interpreted faith as avoidance and practiced it as denial. His error, however, was his refusal to accept the full humanity of Jesus. His penalty was not to be able to recognize and to deal with his own anxiety.

The professor is not the only Christian to have this problem. One of the early heresies was that Jesus was not really human. "He didn't have a fleshy body. He just looked like he did. He was really pure spirit."

This aversion to Jesus' real humanity no doubt grew out of the heretics own anxiety. They associated sin with their humanity and felt there was something shameful or wrong about being "body." Perhaps they felt that if they could get away from the "prison house of dust" that they could solve all their problems.

Fortunately, however, this view of Jesus did not prevail. The historic Church has emphasized over and over again that Jesus Christ, though Son of God, is very man. Fortunately, we say, because many of the problems we have as persons arise not because we are human, but because in our anxiety we try to deny our finitude and its limitations. Like Adam and Eve we would be God, and thus we fall into sin and evil.

The story of the life of Jesus is not the story of a man who somehow or another escaped His humanity and became God. Rather it is the record of God who became man in order to disclose and to reveal to man the true nature of his humanity. He entered fully into our condition, accepting finitude with all its limitations.

Anxiety, basically, is the experience of being finite. Because He was finite Jesus was subject to anxiety. He did not have any special immunity to dread, but had to face it and experience it over and over again. Nowhere is His experience of anxiety more plainly revealed than in the Garden of Gethsemane where He wrestled with the cup that the Father gave Him.

However, as we see Jesus accept His full humanity, we see the real answer to anxiety. We see Him as a man demonstrate that anxiety can be faced with faith, with the full confidence that no matter what He suffered, He was still in the hands of the Father. He suffered unto death in the sure confidence that God approved His humanity. And as He accepted this anxiety with faith, He proved victorious over it and its power in His resurrection from the dead.

The solution to the problem of anxiety is faith. Not, however, a faith that seeks to escape the anxiety, but one that confronts and accepts it as belonging to the human experience. With faith in Jesus Christ who has gone before us our anxiety is allayed even as it is accepted. And perhaps like the little girl with the funny feeling in the stomach, we may be surprised that we do better with fewer symptoms.

#### **DIMENSION IN CHILD-CARE**

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many of these children can be accepted and loved are Homes, such as Barium Springs. If we don't help such children they will be lost, lost both to the human and the Christian community. This means then that our Home must be prepared with a program that is oriented to meet the individual needs of each child. It will take people, yes staff, that have specific abilities and training to meet the specific problems, shortcomings and lack of maturity of such children.

Group care, in itself, is the best of beginning for meeting such a need. Good homes with a built-in team approach where the responsibility of the child can be shared among several trained caring persons have a start in the treatment of the child. Even then it will probably take months, maybe years, before one can really believe that he is wanted and that there is true love and care.

A treatment oriented program also means smaller groups. Whereas in the days of the orphan and custodial programs, children were kept in groups of 20 to 40; now we must think in terms of 8 to 12 children to a cottage. Only then can we approach the meeting of the individual needs for attention and identification that are essential.

#### TRAINED STAFF:

Such a program also calls for better trained child-care staff. Not only must we have people who are loving, warmly committed, and with much compassion, but people who are intelligent and able to take and accept training in the needs of today's child. This child-care staff must be supervised by individuals who themselves have understanding of these children and their needs. Such persons with understanding then should be able to transmit this on to all the child-care staff through an on-going inservice training program.

This in-service training of staff takes place both on the campus and away. Institutes and workshops that are held where groups from various programs gather must be made available to all the workers. Here they not only learn from capable discussion leaders but they are able to share with each other. Other more formalized training classes are required such as the University of Wisconsin Extension Course as related in another article in this issue of the Messenger.

Also, a treatment oriented program offers good casework service by having a strong Social Service department. It must be headed by a person with good training and experience. This person must not only be able to render good casework service but also to administer and supervise a staff of casework-ers. There must also be psychological and psychiatric consultation and treatment when indicated.

Also auxiliary staff on the grounds of an institution must be considered to have much more value than just the work they do and supervise. Here we are thinking of dietitians, cooks, carpenters, plumbers, farmers, nurses and groundskeepers. Each of these people, if they have an understanding of the needs of the child, can render invaluable service to each child by the kind of relationship they establish with him. These are people who also need training and a

good program will give them the advantage of Workshops and Institutes as well.

#### COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

Full use needs to be made of all community resources. Hospitals, treatment centers, mental health centers, local churches, child study centers, and other community agencies are to be utilized to the best advantage.

There is available to all childcare agencies the services and counsel of the Public Welfare Department of the State. This department has a division of Child Welfare and in a great many county's there are child welfare consultants.

It is essential for a good agency to cooperate to the fullest with all other individuals and resources who have as their purpose that of helping the child. Here we must unite and concentrate on a common goal—to make all well for children.

#### SPIRITUAL TRAINING

It is important that we recognize the need to give to every child in care the best of spiritual and moral training so necessary to help him stand firm under the pressures of life.

Basic to such an effort is to have a staff of people who are Christian and who deeply love others, especially children. By the example we set, are we known. Nowhere else is this more true than on the campus of an institution where children are reared.

More formal spiritual training is required in the organized church and Sabbath school. Here the program is led by a Church Session and the Minister. Youth groups, such as choirs, ushers, Sunday evening fellowship, vacation Bible schools and church camps, aid to give the child both individual and group responsibility as he puts into practice that which he has learned in worship and prayer.

Such training then becomes more personal in the family worship through devotionals and graces that occur daily in each cottage group.

#### **COMMUNITY RELATED**

Gone is the day when all care and services were campus centered. Now children go to public schools and participate in community activities much as do all children. They are members of community athletic teams, share in recreational activities, and spend some free time with friends in the surrounding territory. Smaller children are members of Scout troops and older boys and girls date friends in the community and attend socials both at school and in the homes.

#### **WORK CHORES**

Not too many years ago boys and girls living in the institution went to school a half-day and worked a half-day on the farm or in productive enterprises carried on by the

Learning that all work is honorable is no less important for today's child. However, for the boy or girl to grow to be a well rounded adult, it is important that all aspects of life be regarded with equal importance. All children have chores to do in the cottage and on the campus. This occurs both in the mornings and afternoons as time permits. More hours are required in the summer months. At the same time older boys and girls, who, by their standards of conduct

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and growth, show maturity are permitted to seek and perform work off the campus.

A vital part of work is also the training in areas of thrift. Both temporary and permanent savings plans are available to children. All children receive a weekly allowance and attempts are made to encourage proper spending and thrift habits

# EDUCATION, BASIC AND BEYOND

Mention has been made that all children today attend public schools. No one deny's the need during these times that a child must get an education. A high school diploma or its equivalent is essential

Education is both basic learning and the ability to take training that will qualify a person to provide a decent standard of living to himself and his family. Some children have both the desire and ability to go to academic colleges and earn degrees in chosen fields. A good child-care agency such as ours makes full provision for such training.

There are many children who must learn to do with their hands. Vocational training is of much importance to this group of boys and girls. Learning skills such as brick masons, carpenters, plumbers, barbers, cosmetologists, waitresses, and secretaries are vital to the future of many. Greater stress must now be placed in such areas of learning.

#### OTHER SERVICES

While much of what has been written here up to this point relates to child care in general, most of it has centered around the child-caring institution. There are other very vital areas of services which need our attention:

#### (1) Mothers-Aid

The best of child care begins when a child is referred by the agency staff seeking to see what can be done among the family and relatives to keep from removing the child from its own home. All children have some kind of a family, no matter how inadequate, who mean more to them than anyone else in the world.

All avenues of counseling, casework, financial support, and day care must be explored in order to help the family supply a suitable supportive social environment for the child. Protective services for the child at this point can more often than not prove to be the most rewarding part of a program and always at much less expense than any other form of care.

#### (2) Foster Family Home Care

Failing to help the child remain in his own home calls for removal and the decision on the best type of care. If the child is not too disturbed and can accept more personal relationships then a foster family home where substitute parents give love and care in a near normal family setting may be best. It must be provided either directly or cooperatively by any good child-care agency.

#### (3) Adoptive Placement

For the orphan or the young child of an unwed mother and other children where parents recognize their inability to discharge their responsibility and surrender their child to the court, then adoptive placement is in order. Really, we've learned today that any child who is legally free is suitable for adoption, even though he may be handicapped physically or be an older age child.

#### (4) Group Homes

There are many children who have a special need that cannot be adequately met in the more traditional services. Recently a new service called "Small Group Homes" has been added as another resource. It is a home in the community where six or eight children are kept. It is staffed by a couple and receives the usual casework service and administration required by any good program. In a sense it is a half-way house/That is, it's half way between a normal home and a larger congregate institution. More personal attention can be given the child; he can be more community related and in other ways is enabled to grow up more independently. A wide variety of needs can be met, but special care must be exercised in determining the basic purpose for each group and the treatment needed by the children who will be living there.

It is still a form of group care but more specialized. It meets a need to a wide variety of children who up to now while being given care in one service or another still could be helped more adequately by such small groups as can be planned.

#### (5) Referral Services

The most valuable assistance that can be rendered in many situations is that of helping people to avail themselves of already existing services.

This means that the leadership of the agency must keep itself well acquainted with existing programs, institutions, agencies and services and how to refer people to them. This applies to all kinds of service both public and private. It requires an admission that we cannot be all things to all people and yet through good judgment and using our knowledge of services, many more children and families can be helped.

#### (6) Early Child-hood Development

Special consideration needs to be given to pre-school children. Earlier this article spoke of "Mother's-aid." Essentially this is related to the younger child though not limited to these ages. Also, mention was made of adoption and this is always a possibility for some.

But we must be very concerned about undergirding and strength-

ening family life in situations where because of both parents finding it necessary to work or due to ill health young children cannot be given proper care.

We need to recognize that wholesome experiences of spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional and social development can be provided through day care programs, kindergarten and nursery schools. Many local churches can and do engage in such worthwhile services. A good child-care agency certainly must be awake to such needs both by engaging in them directly or giving aid and advice to others.

#### (7) Counseling Service

The many problems presented by the family of today require any good agency to provide counseling services. This can be done through trained caseworkers and staff people who have competence in many areas of family troubles. In this way we can aid in family rehabilitation and in juvenile guidance.

#### MUST FEEL ADEQUATE

Just as good health is necessary in order that a physician may minister well to his patients, so, we who deal continuously with inadequacy in others should feel very adequate ourselves. We who deal with the hopeless should be filled with hope. We who deal with the insecure should be able to diffuse secureness. We who deal with uncertainty should be very assured. We who deal daily with bitterness and resentment should have an inexhaustable fund of love and compassion on which others may draw. We can give only what we ourselves have, and these qualities of our person are far beyond the purely professional factors of our serv-

#### **FUTURE CHALLENGE**

We, in our various positions do not just "have a job." We have a mission—a mission to those whom Christ called "the least of mine."

Most of all and primarily our sense of adequacy, security, confidence and loving compassion will come from the knowledge that we have been selected by God to serve others in the name and spirit of Christ. Every day we go about our work and interest in others, we are instruments of God's grace for them. This conviction gives wings to our leaden feet, a sparkle to our tired eyes and a lift to sinking hearts.

To all these people in trouble, children who are disadvantaged, families torn by sickness and sin, we must continue to give a lift. There must not be such a word as "hopeless" in our vocabulary. The conviction that we have a mission will not and must not permit the thought that any boy or girl must follow in the footsteps of ill advised and poorly equipped parents. There must ever remain the challenge of a Divine mission that will enable us to free these children from any bonds of heritage and home that have shackled them.

Finally, we urge that all those who have an interest and concern in that which has been expressed here, join with your *Presbyterian Family Service Agency* in *this challenging* future. Needed are your direct services, your prayers, and your bequests of financial support.

# LATE FLASH

Just at press time we are able to announce plans to begin establishing a program of Group Homes. Mr. Meredith White, of Lake Villa, Illinois, has been employed to be Supervisor of Group Homes. Full details in next issue of the Messenger.

## Alumni News

Mrs. R. A. Beattie, wife of R. A. (Bob) Beattie, passed away unexpectedly of a heart attack on October 14, 1966. Bob is a graduate of the class of 1925, and is a brother of Jake Beattie. Bob has been with the Shreveport, La., Post Office for twenty-seven years.

Born to Kay (Brewer) and Daryl Painter on November 26, a son, Michael Wayne. They live at 809½ Pleasant Drive, Durham.

Cpl. Donald Blalock spent a few days at Barium Springs, having returned recently from 14 months service in Vietnam. He is wearing ribbons for National Defense, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Unit Citation, Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal.

Mary and David Blalock and Donald Blalock spent the week end recently. Also, Joe Barkley from Charlotte was here for Sunday worship and dinner.

#### **December Memorials**

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# **GROUP HOME SUPERVISOR**



We take great pleasure in announcing the employment of Mr. Meredith White, of Lake Villa, Illinois to be supervisor of Group Homes. See our statement on this new resource for children elsewhere in this issue of the Messenger. Mr. White, a native of Eastern Carolina, is married to the former Betty Lee Rose of Mt. Airy, North Carolina, and they have two lovely adopted children, a girl and a boy—Ann, age 5; Steven, age 1.

Mr. White has graduated from Carson-Newman College with B.A. degree and from the University of North Carolina with a Masters Degree in Social Work. Mrs. White went to Gardner-Webb College and graduated from Carson-Newman with a B.S. degree in education. She is a highly respected school teacher.

He is presently Director of Social Service at the Central Baptist Children's Home, Lake Villa, Illinois. Prior to this, he was, for three years, a caseworker at Connie Maxwell Children's Home and a psychiatric social worker for two years at the Wilson County Mental

Health Clinic in Wilson, N. C. In these three job opportunities, Mr. White has had a varied experience in helping children and their families, since his being involved in casework services with the institution and also with foster families, adoptions, and mothers-aid programs.

Mr. White is a member of both the National Association of Social Workers, and the Academy of Certified Social Workers. He also is a member of the La!:e County Welfare Association and has been associated with the Welfare Council of greater Chicago.

He and his family are members of the Baptist Church and active in its program. Also he is an active Mason and was chaplain of his home lodge. His family likes the outdoors and all kinds of sports.

Mr. and Mrs. White will move in early March to our community and he will assume his position as of March 15. Needless to say, we are most pleased to have this fine family as a part of the Barium staff and look forward to his leading us in this expanded program of Group Homes across the state.

# AFTER ONE YEAR

February 1, 1967 marked the end of the first year of another era in the life of Barium Springs Home for Children. Historically, the Home is in its 76th year of operation. It begun just before the turn of the century in 1891. It came into being through the generosity and foresightedness of Presbyterians who saw the need to provide a home for orphan children.

During all these years Barium Springs built and has maintained a good program for the care of children. For most of its life it has been a purely custodial program, devoted largely to the care of orphan children. It has been blessed with the long services of four outstanding Presbyterians who have served the Home as Superintendent for a total of 71 years of its 76 year history. Other fine gentlemen have served for a lesser number of years

The present Executive Director was called to the position in February, 1966. This brief summary is simply to try to acquaint our friends with some of the significant happenings in the program during the past year.

They can be listed as follows:

I Physical Changes

- (1) Administration building renovated and planned for a full family-oriented staff program.
- (2) New automatic heating system installed, serving the entire campus.
- (3) Completion of paving of streets and driveways.
- (4) Burwell house renovated.
- (5) Grier house moved and renovated.
- (6) Renovation begun on four cottage units.

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# Barium To Benefit From Large Estate

Miss Mary Erwin Young of Davidson, who passed away on January 3, 1967, left the bulk of her estate valued at \$971,713 to Presbyterian Agencies. A number of special bequests totaling about \$50,000 went to friends and relatives as well as personal property and effects.

The Board of World Missions was willed \$30,000, the Edgar Tufts Memorial \$30,000, Davidson College \$30,000, Presbyterian Home in High Point \$30,000, Barium Springs Home for Children \$30,000. Also, the Home is to receive all right, title and interest to gas, oil and mineral rights in a plantation in Louisiana.



In the will, drawn in 1965, Miss Young then asked that the rest of her estate be divided three-fourths to Barium Springs Home for Children and one-fourth to Edgar Tufts Memorial Association.

The Executive Director and Mrs. Reiney visited in the Davidson community with friends and neighbors of Miss Mary, as she was affectionately known to all. Mrs. John M. Raymer, who has known her for a long period of time and lived with her for the last two years of her life described her as a most gracious and lovable person. She says Miss Mary was always liberal in her giving and especially did she have a heart for the unfortunate and the disadvantaged.

Mrs. Raymer went on to say she loved young people and often would drive to Barium Springs and just sit in her car and watch the children. She recalled to the Reiney's her last two visits to Barium. On one occasion in the summer of 1966 she sat in her car near the swimming pool and commented that she was so glad the children had the pool as everyone needed to learn to swim. Then on the last occasion in the fall of 1966 they stopped at Little Joe's Presbyterian Church and got out of the car to walk around in the cemetery where Little Joe is buried. Mrs. Raymer said that she did not want to go

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# DEDICATED STAFF COUPLE



Over the years most people have known a few couples (man and wife) who worked in the same business and both were very much dedicated to it. Such is the case with Mr. and Mrs. Ike White (Ike and Mary to all their friends and associates). They are both natives of the Davidson community; Mrs. White being the former Mary Bolick. They have two children, a son Jim and a daughter Ann. Both are married and there are five grand-children.

Mr. White came to work on the farm in the year 1936. For four years, until an injury, he was a vital part of a large farm operation then in existence at Barium. In 1940, he started as a plumber and electrical helper to Mr. Grier. He has, in more recent years, been fully responsible for the plumbing, electrical and heating of the campus. If you go back and read the December 1966 issue of the Messenger where we discussed the buildings and grounds you can see that this is a big job and a most responsible one.

Mrs. White came to work in 1945. At first, she helped in the baby cottage and did some work in the kitchen. In 1951, she left to work in the community, but returned in 1958 to be assistant dietitian. June of 1966 saw her promoted to head dietitian, a place she continues to fill. Good meals, well planned and nutritious, are essential to growing boys and girls. We try always to provide such at Barium and Mrs. White and her helpers are responsible for this important work.

Their two children went to school at Barium since the Whites moved to live on the campus in 1945. Ann was the bride in the first wedding to be held in the present Little Joe's Church. This was in 1955.

Mr. White has seen much progress at Barium in his 30 years of employment. Many new buildings have been built. Plumbing, heating and electrical plans have been made to serve these and many changes to modernize the entire system have been completed; the most recent when a new automatic gas fired boiler was installed. He



says this addition was a great day for him, since many of his time consuming jobs have been with the old coal-stoker boilers. They always break down in the coldest of weather and during the night.

Boys who have left the home come back often to see Mr. and Mrs. White. In particular, boys who have been his helpers in plumbing want to talk about the days they spent together. Mr. White is particularly proud of a Barium boy in Raleigh who has his own plumbing company. He says he got his start under Mr. White here.

Both Mr. and Mrs. White enjoy children. They love to work with them. Certainly their 30 years of service is testimonial to that. They also love what children do, particularly sports. Mr. White tells of the days when there was no bus and he would drive in a car to take a load of the athletes to play in a neighboring town. He plays a little golf, but really he's a fine family man and plans most leisure time around the home. He is an elder in Little Joe's Presbyterian Church and his family are regular in attendance.

# Alumni News

Darell and Kay (Brewer) Painter and little son of Durham were visitors at Barium recently.

Buck and Laura Jackins are the proud grandparents of a grand-daughter, Tracey Dawn, born January 8 in Decatur, Georgia. The parents are Cecil and Jo Anne (Jackins) Link. Danny Jackins is in service and is in the Philippines now. He is in teletype relay work. Beth is Secretary to the College Division of McMillian Publishing Company in New York

Company in New York.
Charles Donaldson graduated at State College in January. He is associated with J. P. Stevens Com-

pany in Turnersburg.
Stanley Muse of Durham made a short visit to Barium. He has completed his time in the service. He was in Germany for thirty-one months in Army Intelligence and Security.

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By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

#### **EVANGELISM**

At Barium Springs we have a unique opportunity for Christian evangelism. Not only do we have occasion to provide care for children in need, but we also may offer them the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Our children need a home, but more specifically, they need a Christian home.

Some of the children have had families that profess the Christian faith and participate in the life of some local Church. Others, however, come from homes where very little effort is made to practice the Christian discipline. Some of these are problem homes where parents are unable to provide a loving environment. Some homes are disrupted by alcohol. Others by one problem or another. Often, then, the children come to Barium Springs with little Christian nurture and a distorted view of the Christian life.

As a rule smaller children seem to enjoy their relationship to the Church, even though they may complain some about attending. However, as they get older they express resistance to going to Church. This is true of many teen-agers for adolescence is a time of rebellion. But this resistance seems intensified on a campus such as ours, because the Church is a part of a whole scheme of things they do not like. That is, the Church supports and sponsors the Home, and in a sense is connected with the Home. Part of their hostility arises with their anger about having to be here instead of in their real home.

While Church attendance is required, Church membership is voluntary. Younger children up to twelve usually are much interested in joining and do not seem to mind taking the communicants class as part of their experience.

Many adolescents, however, show a resistance to any sort of commitment. If they have not joined the Church before they are thirteen or fourteen, they will continue to avoid such a commitment. Those who have joined when younger may make light of their earlier commitment. Cliques and crowds do everything they can to avoid appearing "good." Some of these decide that it is more fun to be "bad." Or at least this expresses the way they feel about themselves.

This resistance leads some to reject commitment to Christ and to the Church. We accept their rejection because we are aware of their underlying motives and needs. We carefully avoid pressuring or pushing them to commitment for this would fall into their misconception of us as authorities trying to dominate or manipulate them. We encourage them at whatever level they may respond and continue to present to them the opportunity for personal Christian commitment appropriate to their age level and growth.

We do this in different ways. We give them opportunities to respond in regular services of worship, in youth meetings, and in special evangelistic meetings. Recently our Pioneers attended the evangelistic film, "For Pete's Sake." Prior to this several sermons had challenged them to some decision. After the film was presented a large percentage of the youth responded to the invitation and made a definite personal commitment.

A week or two later the minister talked with those that had made commitments. Most of the boys and girls indicated they still "felt the same way about their decision." However, only a few were able to say exactly what the experience meant to them. It was also obvious that some had interpreted the experience in legalistic or moralistic terms rather than as an experience of releasing grace. Also it was difficult to see any definite or distinctive change in the lives of most of these. Some were in trouble of one kind or another shortly after having made their

However, we neither interpret their commitment as invalid, nor do we conclude that our evangelism is ineffective. Instead we see this experience as a real commitment, valid to them at their particular level of growth. An experience which brings them closer to Christ, and one that gives them some anchor to meet their problems as growing children.

Some of these will persevere in the faith. Others will fall away before or soon after they leave here. However, this failure is beyond our responsibility. Often months or even years later, we will receive a letter asking for a transfer of Church membership. The seed that was planted earlier and covered with a definite personal commitment, has borne fruit. The Church will continue to yield its increase.

## Small Group Homes

In our efforts to better meet the many and varied needs of the large number of children referred to us, a decision has been made to start a series of small group homes away from the campus at Barium

For purpose of definition, we ould say that they will be would agency-operated homes and will be either owned or rented single family dwelling units. It is a residential facility which will normally care for 6 to 8 children. Child care staff in the persons of a couple will be employed as houseparents. Administrative, supervisory and case-work services will be provided from the agency office at Barium Springs. We would select a home where the house and architecture would usually be indistinguishable from nearby homes. The group home would reach out to the community for many of its activities and resources, thus providing for the building of more independent living on the part of the young

Our beginning program calls for two such homes to be established.

We would see them as a new resource for adolescent boys and girls age 13 to 18 who need to live in a community where very good and adequate vocational training could be provided. One would serve boys and the other girls. The first children would be individuals now in the institution at Barium Springs who have a special need for such a program. Later, as the program progresses, we would not preclude the accepting of adolescents directly from the community.

Over the next few months we will be telling you more about our objective and plans for this new service. In the meantime, you will note announcement in this issue of the Messenger where we have employed Mr. Meredith White to be the supervisor of Group Homes. We hope that all of our friends rejoice with us in this new resource for children.

May we conclude by saying that more and more children continue to be referred to us. This new program will truly be an expansion in numbers as well as being able to provide a better resource for those children especially needing something different from that which we now offer.

#### AFTER ONE YEAR

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(7) Calhoun house renovation begun.

Plans completed for removal of Stowe Cottage. II. Farm and Orchard

(1) Four hundred new dwarf apple trees set.

Strawberry patch started. Vineyard planned.

- (4) Vegetable garden pro-gram planned with emphasis on production and freezing of a volume of food.
- Beef cattle herd enlarged. Began curing own pork
- from hogs grown on farm.

III. Staff Improvement

- Set up new Social Services staff, headed by a trained and experienced Director.
- (2) Employed a trained and experienced Director of Campus Life.

(3) Created new position of Special Services to better serve the church, alumni, and visitors.

(4) Employed a Director of Youth Activities to head both recreation and church youth programs.

(5) Staffed the office with a Business Manager to act as treasurer, office manager, and purchasing agent.

(6) Staffed three cottages with couples (man and wife).

(7) Initiated and participated in a cooperative training program of staff members for study on University Campus.

(8) Reduced staff by closing

laundry.

(9) Contracted and began a testing and evaluating program for each child with a Psychologist on campus.

IV. Direct Services to Children

(1) Social service staff have completed a visit with parents and/or relatives of all children.

(2) New visiting program started enabling children to visit regularly parents and relatives.

(3) Arranged for all children to spend Christmas at their own home.

(4) New recreation and activities program begun.

(5) Plans made for development of small Group Homes.

"Mothers-aid" program budgeted and plans made to implement.

Began organized study halls for children needing help.

(8) Plans made to enlarge remedial education summer program.

(9) Individual allowance system begun for children and tie-in made with a

savings program.
(10) Initial steps taken toward rewarding good conduct and maturity with regular off-campus employment opportunity.

Finally, let us say that the present program not only seeks the most excellent quality of care, but does provide some permanent plan for each child. Right from the day of intake we begin to develop a permanent plan for the child. We start with getting to know the child better. Then, we get to know his family and all possible resources that may be available.

The important thing is that planning is done—that we do not just sit and wait to see what develops—and that the child in all his anxiety can understand, even in a small way, that there are those interested in making a better way of life for him.

#### BARIUM TO BENEFIT FROM LARGE ESTATE

(Continued from Page 1) to the office to meet or see adults: she just wanted to watch the chil-

Mrs. Raymer further described Miss Mary, who was born on the Young homestead in Cabarrus County, as being very industrious, thrifty and conservative. She was very interesting to talk to and had many friends.

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An interesting sidelight to this is that in 1960 and 1961 the Reiney's son, Bill, then a student at Davidson College, drove Miss Mary in her car to Nashville, Tennessee on two occasions. The Reiney's lived in Nashville and are friends of the relatives whom she

This bequest when the estate is settled will become a part of the main endowment of Barium Springs. The income from which will be used for the on-going program of helping boys and girls and their families. The Board of Regents and the staff shall accept it with grateful hearts. The new and expanding family-oriented program now can be implemented with this income and thus provide resources of help which otherwise would not have been possible.

#### ALUMNI NEWS (Continued from Page 1)

Charles Barrett, who is State Coordinator for the State Department of Education in the Com-

munity College Division, visited Barium. He was returning from Brevard where he delivered the graduation address to 49 graduates at the Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute.

Charles who is located in Raleigh, N. C. wrote telling us some of his activities. His office is co-directed with N. C. State University, one of nine national workshops in basic education on N. C. State Campus this summer. There were participants from five states and the District of Columbia. In October Charles attended the Southeastern Regional Conference on Adult Basic Education in Miami. He was on the planning committee for the program and presided at some of the sessions. Charles was the commencement speaker at the Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute, which was held in the Lee H. Edwards High School this spring. In November he was in Chicago for a week at the National Adult Education Association Conference and in Chapel Hill for a similar conference. He is taking courses at the University towards completing his Ph.D. degree. Charles' daughter, Jean, who is 10 years old, is taking violin and piano. She has been selected to be one of the performers at the Ra-leigh Music Festival in the Spring. She will play a simplified piano version of "Allegretto Theme from Beethoven's Ninth" and also a duet. Steven is in the first grade. He seems to have a good bit of talent in art. Their youngest son, Chick,

goes to a private Episcopal kinder-(Continued on Page 3)





## ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

The building pictured on the left is shown as it was originally built in 1902. On the right is the same building renovated, both inside and out. In the early days it served as a library and was heated by two fireplaces.

Some years ago an addition was built on the rear of the original structure. In the fall of 1966 the interior of the entire building was renovated into a modern office structure. Little was done to the exterior except to close in the front porch. Now instead of a building with several large rooms, adequate office space has been provided for the entire office, administration, and casework staff.

In addition a new heating and air-conditioning system was installed. We are really proud of it and invite all our friends to stop by for a visit.

ALUMNI NEWS

(Continued from Page 2) garten. Charles, in his traveling, has come in contact with a number of Barium people. He does lots of traveling and speaking and is quite enthusiastic about Community Colleges. His sister, Mae Allen, lives in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She is Mrs. George Form. She and her husband have four children. Her husband is a teacher-coach in one of the high schools in Albuquerque. He also does some coaching with the University of New Mexico. Barbara, Charles' wife, is busy with home duties and church work. She took a course in Modern Math for Parents offered by the city schools recently.

Tommy Bush, Gene Taylor, and Amick Johnson spent a few days at Barium during the Christmas

holidays.

Brenda and Fred Lentz are living in Jacksonville, Fla. Fred has been made an assistant manager with the Mutual Insurance Company of New York, and they are planning to move to Gainesville around the first of the year. They have a little girl, Kathryn Ann, who was born August 29.

Born to Judy (Bolton) and Maynard Dalton in Richmond on December 27, a daughter, Leslie Lena.

James Dennis was a recent visitor on the campus. He is in the Army and stationed at Fort Jack-

Charles McLean has completed his three years in service. He spent a good bit of his time in Germany. He made a short visit to Barium.

Donald Blalock spent the weekend in Barium. He is stationed at Albany, Ga.

Jake Beattie from Charlotte visited on the campus.

Julia Clendenin Calloway gave the following program at an organ recital at The Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine in New York City on January 22nd.

Prelude and Fugue in C minor (BW V546) J. S. Ba J. S. Bach Suite Médiévale: Jean Langlais

Improvisation Acclamations

Choral Preludes: Helmut Walcha "Shepherds came, their praises bringing"

"All my heart this day rejoices" Simon Preston Alleluvas

Julia and Richard will be moving to Nashville, Tenn. in June where Richard will intern at Vanderbilt.

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# MY LIFE AT BARIUM





AL BLAKE

My days at Barium are drawing to a close as I think back to the highlights of my life here.

On July 19, 1952, a small boy stepped from a Greyhound bus and entered a new world. I was confused and happy because of the long trip from Wilmington and because the next day was my birthday. I would be five years old.

I was living in Baby Cottage, or Stowe Cottage, my first year.

On my sixth birthday, I moved to Synod's Cottage, the oldest cottage on the campus. My housemother from my sixth birthday until last year was Miss Winnie Ferguson. I am grateful for her leadership and care. When I needed her, she would help.

On a sunny morning late this past summer, I met a couple named Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Stroud from Goldsboro. I later learned that they would be my houseparents. During the last six months I have learned in a small measure what it is like to have a mother and father living with me. It's wonderful.

This past summer was the best summer I believe I have ever had. I worked my hardest and did my best and thoroughly enjoyed it. Mr. Frank Nance, the supervisor of the farm, inspired me with responsibility. There were ten boys working under and with me whose grades ranged from the sixth through the eleventh. Besides being a superb supervisor, Mr. Nance is a real friend and a very hard worker. My only regret is that I wish I had another summer here at Barium.

Barium has been my home for nine years from necessity, the last five years by choice.

I plan to attend Rowan Technical Institute or go into I.B.M. training next year. I want to thank all those who have made this possible.

Al Blake

#### RANDY SALTER

Well, time is rapidly passing. It seems like only yesterday I saw Barium for the first time, and now I have only three months to enjoy my home here. In the two years I've lived here, I've learned that if I do my part, people will help me.

Being a typical adolescent, it seems at times that my main objective was to see how much I could get away with. In this struggle against the adults and authority, the gap between us has been, at times, quite wide. Now, in the closing moments of my stay at Barium, I realize that this gap has been bridged. I now understand that it is time for me to join in with the adults, and not go against them.

Among my most pleasant moments, I may recall Christmas. We all would join together with our abundance of Christmas spirit to decorate our large Christmas tree and sing carols.

I imagine that I should write of my work experiences while living here. First, I was assigned to the orchard. There, we pruned the various kinds of fruit trees, picked apples and peaches, and ate popcorn on snowy days. Then I went to the carpenter shop. There I cut grass for three months. I found it necessary to make daily visits by the infirmary and to various cottages, for a small daily snack, while counting the seconds until lunchtime. Now I work at the gym. I am responsible for feeding my ponies; well, our ponies. I also have various jobs around the gym. I am supervised by Mr. Gilmore.

Now the home is making it possible for me to attend Pfeiffer College. I have been accepted for courses beginning this summer and I'm really looking forward to this great experience. All I know to say now is Thank you all!

Randy Salter

## **DUKE ENDOWMENT ANNUAL SUPPORT**

Toward the end of February, Mr. James R. Felts, Jr., Executive Director of the Hospital and Child Care Section of the Duke Endowment, made announcement of the appropriations to hospitals and child-caring institutions in North Carolina and South Carolina. The appropriations total \$1,466,019 with \$558,056 going to 43 child-caring institutions. In North Carolina, 26 child-caring institutions received \$368,560, with Barium Springs Home for Children receiving \$10,671. In addition to helping hospitals and child-caring institutions

## Mental Health Board Meeting

The Executive Director, Nat K. Reiney, is a member of the board of Directors of the North Carolina Association of Mental Health and was in attendance at the semi-annual Board meeting in Raleigh March 9-10.

The mental health of our citizenship continues to be of increasing concern. Statistics today indicate that more than half of all hospital beds are occupied by mental patients. More and more of the tax dollars both Federal and State must be supplied to help take care of and solve the problems of these people. At this writing several issues of vital importance are before the State legislature. It behooves us a church people to be much concerned in this area of need. It is a part of the mission of the Christian witness, even as Jesus so clearly demonstrated before men.

tutions finance the care of the needy, sick, and of orphans, the Endowment provides funds for capital and special purposes; and, its field staff, based in Charlotte, counsels institutions requesting advice on administrative problems and plans for facilities and services. The Endowment also contributes funds to several colleges in North Carolina and South Carolina, among which is Davidson College. They also contribute funds for the construction and maintenance of

rural Methodist Churches in North Carolina and for the support of ministers who have retired in the Methodist Church of the Carolinas, as well as help to the widows and dependent children of ministers.

About 80% of the amount received by Barium Springs goes into the regular operating account for the care of children and their families. The other 20% is earmarked for education beyond high school. Operating income support is based only upon full-orphan and half-orphan children. It is interesting to note that in the 43 institutions receiving funds at this annual appropriation date, there was a slight drop in the percentage of the number of orphan and half-orphan children receiving care in these institutions. The average number of children per day receiving care was 4,599.4, which compares with 4,641.1 in 1965.

Needless to say, the Board of Regents, staff, and children are grateful to the Duke Endowment for this annual gift. While it is given to provide the daily needs of children, we know that such gifts of this size enable our program to

#### Alumni News

Martha Royce Beale wrote at Christmastime that her brother, Paul, died August 30 in her home. Her sister, Frances, died six years ago. Martha said that she has been married 37 years and has two children and six grandchildren.

Morris Lee of Goldsboro, died on Friday, January 6. He has three sons and two daughters. His brother, John, is living in Augusta, Ga.

Jim Hoover left recently for the Marines. He will be stationed at Camp Lejeune for his basic training.

ing.

Billy Finley, who is in the Air Corps, having served at Vietnam for some months, spent a few days at Barium. He will report to Myrtle Beach.

Joe White, City Recreation Director of Winston-Salem, was elected president of the Ardmore Community Club recently.

Harriett Blue, daughter of Robert Blue, was married on January 15 in Burlington to Roberts Leathers. She is a graduate of the Watts Hospital School of Nursing.

Taken from the Ashe Presbyterian: RUFUS LONG IS NOW IN KOREA. He has been appointed as bank advisor to the banks of Korea by the United States Government. The position that Rufus is receiving deals with the rehabilitation of Korea. The United States (Continued on Page 2)

do a more excellent kind of program and provide some of the extra dimensions in child care which otherwise we would not be able to give.



Steven McKinley, Terry Lingerfelt, and Susan Smith take advantage of rare winter sunshine to exercise three of Barium's sturdy steeds.

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# HAPPENINGS AROUND CAMPUS



MR. JAMES D. CHRISTIAN, JR.

Two week-ends in early March have been filled with extra church activities for all the young people. On March 4, 5, and 6, we were pleased to have Mr. James D Christian, Jr. of Lynchburg, Virginia bring us a series of messages in the Sanctuary of Little Joe's Presbyterian Church. Mr. Christian is a layman, and an elder in the First Presbyterian Church of Lynchburg, where he also teaches in the church school. He is a businessman and is vice-president of N. B. Handy Co., steel distributors. Mr. Christian brought four messages of

an evangelistic nature which were well received by both old and young.

On the week-end of March 11 and 12, five young men and one young lady from Union Seminary spent two days on the campus. On the evening of Saturday, March 11, they conducted services in games and recreation in the gymnasium with Juniors and Intermediates. Then they took charge of the morning worship service on Sunday in Little Joe's Church. Sunday afternoon volunteer groups of young people met with them in discussion groups. The regular meetings of Junior High and Senior High Fellowships were held on Sunday night with the Seminary students being the leaders. The students were Ben Kirkland, Vann Joines, Rocky Ward, Rich Boyd, Joe Condro and Virginia Shollar.

All of us are grateful to these students and to the Seminary for making this fine experience available to our young people.

The week-end of March 11 and

The week-end of March 11 and 12 was a busy one. On Saturday 41 of the children grades 1 through 5 went to Catawba where they were guests of the Masonic Lodge for the noon meal. They enjoyed the bus ride with Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore as chaperones and came back filled with ham and all the trimrings.

Since our last issue of the Mes-

the basketball and wrestling season at the schools our children attend. These activities at the schools in the community occupy a lot of our time. Many of our boys and girls participate and elsewhere in this issue you will find pictures of them. Of course, the rest of us all go along to yell and support our teams. The wrestling team won the conference championship and ranked third in the Western State meet at Boone. The South Iredell basketball teams, both boys and girls gave a good account of themselves and finished near the top in the conference. We congratulate all these boys and girls on a fine performance. We probably should add that Mary Beth Dulin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dulin, made the all conference girls team. Mary Beth's mother is a valued member of the Barium office staff.

#### Communicants Class

Rev. Earle Barron, pastor, Little Joe's Presbyterian Church, conducted a communicants class for four weeks. Eight of the boys and girls from the home were enrolled in this class and during our series of services conducted by Mr. James Christian they made their profession of faith in Jesus Christ as their savior and placed their membership in the church. These children were Jo Ann Ellis, Betty

Rose Ivey, Deborah Duncan, Janice Coble, Donna Klouse, Danny Armstrong, Freddie Webb, and David Brown. We congratulate this fine group of boys and girls and rejoice with them in this important step in their lives.

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has designated several million dollars for use in Southern Korea. Rufus Long's duties will be advisor to the banks of Korea in the use of these funds. As a banker he has made successive steps upward. He was Assistant Vice-President of the North Carolina National Bank of Charlotte, and from there he served as Vice-President of the "First Virginia Corporation of Virginia." He states he plans to observe the work of the missionaries of our church while in Korea as Rufus is an ardent Christian and interested in the work of the Kingdom of God. His position will require him to be a resident in Korea for about two and a half years. The Long family will make their residence in Korea during this time.

Chuck Gallyon, Charles Gallyon's son, was awarded the Eagle Scout Award at the Forest Park Presbyterian Church on February 12.

Wallace and Bertie (Whitener) Twombly announce the coming marriage of their daughter, Libby, to Edwin Daniel Hooper on March 18 at the New Perth A.R.P. Church in Troutman. BARIUM MESSENGER
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Barbara, Billy, and Kenny Brinkley of New Bern visited Barium recently.

Walter and Anne Beattie announce the engagement of their daughter, Libby, to Clifford Thomas Lewis, Jr. The wedding is to be June 17. Libby will graduate from the U.N.C. School of Nursing, and Cliff from the U.N.C. Medical School.

Edna (Evans) and Bill Cope have bought a home in Lynchburg. They had their three little children baptized recently. Edna is teaching in the Primary Department at the Church.

Michael Clendenin, son of Ray and Johnnie (Burgin) Clendenin, has joined the Navy and is in training at Great Lakes, Illinois.







EVANGELISM TEAM—Left to right: Ben Kirkland, Vann Joines, Rocky Ward, Rick Boyd, and Joe Condro. Not pictured—Virginia Shollar.

TOP LEFT—MAJORETTES: Bonnie Brown, Debbie Kennedy, Alice Freeze, Karen Keeton. TOP RIGHT—Judy Steen.

BOTTOM—Mike Walden, Mack Wyne, Royce Harris, and Charles Hyde.

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

# WE'RE SOMEBODY HERE

For a person to be somebody, he must have some place. It is not just enough for an individual to exist, he must let down roots somewhere. Adam and Eve did not just materialize, they were created in the Garden of Eden. Here they felt at home, in a place.

Living in this definite place permits the individual not only to anchor his life in something concrete, but it also provides an arena where he may struggle with the objective environment. Here he comes to terms with the reality of his situation. As this happens he becomes a part of the place and the place becomes a part of him.

Living in a definite place helps him become aware of himself as a person. He discovers that he is somebody, because his body is in some place. As he identifies himself he becomes Saul of Tarsus or Sam Jones from Charlotte. He knows who he is because he knows where he lives or where he is from.

One of the problems of the modern world is the displaced person. Traveling in Israel and some of the Arab countries several years ago I was impressed by the numbers who had been forced to move when modern Israel was established. The only expression of many was a vacant stare. And of course the Jews themselves were driven out of their homes and lost their places during World War II. It was important for them to reestablish their national identity in a land which once belonged to them.

Today, Americans live in a mobile society which is constantly going from one place to another. It may be from coast to coast or simply from one neighborhood to another. The latter sometimes creates as severe a crisis as the former.

In our country, perhaps the most pathetic displaced person is the child from a broken home. Probably he did not have a very secure place originally. But when the family breaks up and mother and father go their separate ways, more than likely he will end up in different places. He may stay with one parent or another. He may be placed in foster homes or he may be sent to an institution. But whichever it may be, his sense of place is disrupted and he is not sure he is somebody from somewhere.

Because he is torn from his original place no other place is likely to be a real place for him. In his mind he always goes back to the home as he knew it, even if it doesn't exist except in his memories. It becomes more and more difficult for him to let down any roots or to feel that some other place is home. This can easily be demonstrated by questioning the children who live here. Only a few think of this as their place, although home may not really exist anywhere else.

Barium Springs attempts to provide a place for children when they do not have one, sometimes by bringing them here—other times by working with the family to repair the broken home. The purpose is not just to give them a place to live, but to give them a chance to grow up

However, the final solution to this problem, both for the children and all of us, is to realize the "place of God." Only then will a person be sure enough to feel that he is somebody wherever he may be.

Jacob got in trouble with Esau because he tricked him out of his birthright and blessing. Had Jacob stayed at home Esau would likely have killed him. Jacob had to flee. He was no more than a day's journey away before he experienced terrible pangs of homesickness. He had left his place, and he felt he had left his world behind. He even felt he had left God.

That night, however, he had a dream of angels descending and ascending a ladder to heaven. He became aware that God was speaking to him as a person in that place, offering him His protection.

When he awoke he said, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I did not know it. This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven. And he called the place Bethel, that is the house of God." He had come to realize that God was with him anywhere, so any place was God's place. He then felt at home there.

Paul saw many outcasts and slaves in his Christian ministry. He noticed that many of them lacked real identity. They did not feel at nome where they were because they had been forced out of their original places by the Romans. They were displaced persons. He offered these Gentiles, who had been strangers and wanderers in various places, full citizenship in the Church, the House of God. Here, he said, you are

The wonder of the place of God is that it is or can be any place. t is not confined to any one community, but transcends all physical coundaries. It is everywhere. Wherever Christians meet together in God's name, there is a place which they feel belongs to them. There hey know that they are fully persons. There they can say, "We are omebody here.'

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# MY LIFE AT BARIUM



CONNIE WEBB

My life at Barium has been one of moving around, getting settled, and moving again, but I've loved every minute of it.

On August 6, 1954, I came to Barium with my two older sisters. I was confused and couldn't quite understand where I was or why. Miss Rebekah Carpenter was the first person I met that day. I was shy and afraid, but she made me feel right at home.

As I was growing up, Miss Lois Jackson was a great inspiration to me. No matter what the problem, I could always turn to her for help and guidance. I lived at Sanford Cottage with Miss Jackson and 16 other girls for nine years.

I chose to leave Barium in September of 1963 to live with my mother. I was away for two years. During this time, I realized how very much Barium, and all my friends here, meant to me. I reentered Barium on June 4, 1966 and came to live at Howard Cottage with Mrs. Mary Moorefield. In the year that I have been back, I have learned to love and respect Mrs. Moorefield as a mother. She has helped me to re-adjust to the homelife at Barium and has helped me to establish a real faith in adults that most teenagers lack.

I am deeply indebted to the staff of Barium, past and present, that have helped me through the rough years of adolescence. I would like to take this opportunity, also, to express my deepest appreciation to all those who have helped make my life at Barium possible.

After graduation, I plan to work for the Bell Telephone Company in Charlotte.

Connie Webb



ROYCE HARRIS

I came to Barium Springs quite a few years ago. I was in the sixth grade and it was my first time away from home. In the beginning, as with most children, I was not glad to be here and wanted to return to my own home. As time has gone by, however, I have changed my point of view and honestly hate to leave. Barium Springs is not as many people seem to think it is. I can say only that I think it is a wonderful place.

For the work, I will say just a little. I have worked in all areas but like my present position best. I am working with Mr. Gilmore at the gymnasium where we have just completed a teen-age recreation center. We are mostly responsible for cleaning up all the campus play areas. The orchard is the hardest where the effort is constant and laborious.

At Barium I have always lived in Jennie Gilmer Cottage. This is the number one cottage, of course! Through the years I have had several houseparents and presently I am its longest term resi-

In closing, I wish to thank all who have made my life at Barium as painless as possible. I especially want to thank those who have taken particular interest in me and have guided me around as many pitfalls as possible.

Royce Harris

REMEMBER BARIUM SPRINGS IN YOUR WILL

#### NEEDED-Social Workers

As of this date, we are still seeking to employ caseworkers to complete our social service staff. We prefer to get people with Masters degrees in social work and with experience. However, we are willing to employ college graduates with one year of social work training or those who have a few years experience in child welfare.

Surely, throughout the Presbyterian Church in the Synod of North Carolina there must be some in-dividuals who would like to become a part of this program. Maybe, you are not interested yourself, but being a social worker you may know someone whom you can refer to us. Also, we would like to encourage pastors and friends of Barium to talk to people of your acquaintance who could put us in touch with those who might be interested.

We are able to provide the very best of supervision and working conditions. In addition to a competitive salary, we also offer vacation, social security, retirement, insurance plan covering hospital, surgery and life benefits. There is ample opportunity for growth through in-service training at workshops and institutes as well as professional meetings.

For those having one year of graduate training or experience, we can offer a position plus a stipend for further training.

Kindly write to Mr. Rufus Fisher, Director of Social Services, at Barium Springs giving information about yourself or someone you would like to refer to us.

## Cottage News LOTTIE WALKER

How is everyone? Our cottage is just fine. Some of our girls went home during the Easter vacation. They had a nice time. We have two new girls in our cottage. Their names are Karen and Kelly Austin from Charlotte, N. C. They are enjoying living here with us. We will soon be out of school and are looking forward to camp this summer. Also, we are looking for-ward to our summer vacation. We enjoy getting to ride the ponies on weekends. Barium Springs has five ponies. A boy up here takes care of them. Well, this is all the news for now.

> Teresa Grant and Lottie Walker Girls

#### **NORTH COTTAGE**

Well, it's that time of the month again when we all try to pick up a few pebbles from the depth of our minds, and let you in on a little news. I seem to be having a little trouble finding the pebbles though.

Annuals have arrived and everyone is emptying those penny banks (Continued on Page 2)

# CAMPS AND CONFERENCES

This is the time of year when we must begin to make final plans for our boys and girls to benefit from a good summer experience. Many activities are already planned on the campus and a special group of college young people will strengthen the staff during these

In addition, we plan for some 70 to 75 to attend the church camps and conferences at Camp Grier. Last year, we had this many and they profited much from this experience. We need the help of individuals and church groups to finance this program. It is not a part of our budget so we invite and

The total cost for each child will average about \$25.00 each. Gifts of any size are acceptable. Possibly, some church groups will want to make this a project and provide expenses for three or four children. Other groups already sponsor a child and you will want to be sure to send money for them.

All monies received will be put in this special camp fund from which the children will derive extra benefits. Below, you will find a blank which we trust you will use in sending us your gift. Remember, some child may not share in this unless you provide for it.

## CAMP FUND

The enclosed is to be placed in the	
Camp Fund and used to send children to Camp Grier or to	
help with other camp and conference experience during	
the summer months.	
Name	
Address	

# Alumni News

Bradley Jean Manius Salazar and her family are living in San Antonio, Texas. Her husband is manager of a sporting goods store. They have two sons, Jerry, age 10, and Ronnie, 9. They play on the little league team and are in scouts. Bradley Jean and her family are members of Hope Presbyterian Church in San Antonio.

Ernestene Garrett Young and her family live at Springfield, Virginia. Her husband, Jack, is a Lt. Col. They have two boys. They attend the Presbyterian Church at Springfield and Jack was ordained an elder recently and Ron joined the church that day. The boys are on the baseball team.

Helen Spencer and William Kirby were married in October. They are living in Winston-Salem.

Born to Brenda (Ivey) and Dean Moore of Mooresville at Davis Hospital on March 20, a son, Kevin Alexander.

Born to Hilda (Barnes) and John Whiting on March 23, a daughter, Barbara Lynn. Their son Russell, age 12, has been in the Baptist Hospital in Winston for several weeks. Hilda and John have three daughters and a son. They moved into a home on First

ner) and her husband and Jerry Brewer were with us at church recently and had dinner in the tining room.

## IN MEMORIAM

Memorial services conducted by his pastor, Rev. Earle Barron, were held in Little Joe's Presbyterian Church at 2:00 P. M., Sunday, April 9, for young Eddie Homesley who was killed in an accident on Saturday. Funeral services were held on Monday at Carpenter Funeral Home in Cherryville, North Carolina; being conducted by Rev. George Riddle, minister, First Presbyterian Church, Cherryville and Rev. Earle Barron, minister, Little Joe's Presbyterian Church.

Eddie was killed when a pickup truck in which he was riding overturned on one of the farm roads at Barium Springs. He was thrown out and pinned under-neath the truck. Death was instantaneous.

He is survived by his parents Mr. Troy B. Homesley, Cherryville; his mother. Mrs. Stanley Rose, Maiden, North Carolina; three brothers, Troy, Jr., Billy and Johnny and a sister Bonnie who also lives at Barium Springs.

Eddie had lived at Barium for eight years. He was a fine boy. His death has been a tremendous shock to the campus. We can only hope that God will see fit to help all of us to use the experience in the building of the lives of other boys and girls committed to our care.

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

#### THE CHARISMATIC REVIVAL

The average Christian believes in the Holy Spirit. However, if asked, "Have you ever experienced Him in your life?" he either looks embarrassed or confused.

There is a definite relationship between the lack of experience of the Holy Spirit and His power and the failure of the modern Christian Church. As has been said, "The institution is already dead — we just haven't had the funeral."

However, at the same time some are getting ready for the burying, others feel a breath of life. This stirring has been called the Charismatic Revival because of an emphasis upon the infilling or baptism of the Holy Spirit and His gifts for the Church. (See the Acts and I Corinthians 12-14). While the movement is spreading and growing throughout the Christian world, many seem ignorant of its existence. Or if they have heard of it, they think it is just some "way out" spiritual regression.

For about two years I have observed, studied, and participated in this revival. As a result of my experience I have come to certain conclusions about this movement.

First, the movement is an authentic expression of the power of the Holy Spirit. It is a valid response to God's desire to revitalize a sick Church. While the Church has bogged down in an insipid institutionalism, groups touched by this revival are coming to grips with the nature of man, his sinful condition, and what the Church can do for his redemption.

Second, because it proceeds from the divine, it is open to the demonic. Unfortunately, there is always a certain amount of confusion and disruption in connection with the revival. Some are very enthusiastic for it, other adamantly against it. Some of this disruption is caused by persons with more zeal than wisdom. On the other hand some of the trouble arises as leaders and laymen resist this movement because they don't understand it or because it threatens them emotionally or professionally.

Thirdly, the revival tends toward a simple theology. Basically, it is experientially oriented. For instance, there is no debate as to whether or not God is dead or alive. Instead there is a definite demonstration of His presence and power. It is difficult to convince a person really touched by the Holy Spirit that Jesus Christ is not risen from the dead.

The Bible becomes a live book. It does not need to be demythologized. The Charismatic Christian realizes his experiences are similar to what earlier Biblical writers saw and recorded. The Bible is valid because it is demonstrated to be true.

Unfortunately, the movement tends to fall back into nineteenth century theologizing. An experience of God does not necessarily make a person a systematic theologian, able to communicate the reality of his experience. I hope this fresh breath of God will produce theologians able to get across to modern man the message of Jesus Christ to this new age.

Fourthly, this movement cuts across all denominational levels. It brings together Roman Catholics, Protestants, and Pentecostals. There is no concern for unity on an institutional basis. But Christians from dif-

ferent groups find communion with one another. Others may talk and argue the need for Christian unity, but within this movement real ecumenicism is openly demonstrated.

Finally, the Holy Spirit gives the power for the Church's work on earth. In the charismatic experience, worship becomes a joyous and refreshing experience. There is a feeling of being in contact with God through the Holy Spirit. Personal devotional life is enriched, and the presence of God is felt day by day. All problems are not solved, but life does change. Sometimes it gets more difficult.

The revival has a very strong evangelistic thrust. Persons are convinced by the power of the Spirit, not by elaborate programs for evangelism. Social action follows, but perhaps not as much as some would like to see.

A new dimension is added to pastoral care. Pastoral theology became impotent a generation ago. More recently it began to pick up and use insights from modern psychology. While this has been extremely helpful in dealing with persons, this approach has often lacked spiritual power. In Charismatic Counseling the processes of human personality and relationships are not bypassed, but the gift of the Spirit brings a new power for healing. However, leaders must take care not to promote perfectionistic tendencies in persons tending toward unhealthy moralism, for such persons are often attracted to the revival.

Other aspects of the Charismatic Revival could be mentioned. Perhaps the reader will be interested in investigating what this movement may have to say to him. I hope the Presbyterian Church will not become defensive, but willing to explore its possibilities.

#### **COTTAGE NEWS**

(Continued from Page 1) to scratch up money for that remaining payment. For the next two weeks everyone will be going around with a pen in their hands signing annuals. We all know that they're worth every bit of the trouble.

Everyone is looking forward to the opening of our new recreational center. Mr. Gilmore and several of the boys have been working hard on this for some time now. It's to be in the basement of our gym. We can hardly wait to get the benefits from their trouble.

Along with gaining a new recreational center, we're losing an old and dear memory to many, the baby cottage. They started tearing it down a couple of weeks ago. I'm sure the people in Miss Nell Smith's and Miss Lois Jackson's cottage are enjoying the extra walk they have to take to avoid being cracked over the head by falling bricks. Word was around that they planned to make a playground out of it.

With only a little less than two months left of the school year, things are pretty exciting. People are beginning to talk about summer vacations, camp, swimming, getting charcoaled, and above all, Junior-Senior. The best part of the year is just beginning.

That seems to be the last of the pebbles I can find at this time which means "so long" from

Karen Keeton and North Cottage Girls

#### JENNIE GILMER

The boys in the "old castle" are having great expectations. In an-

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other month several of our boys are leaving to seek their fortunes. We have three *fine* seniors in our cottage. They are Royce Harris, Randy Salter, and Percy Utsman.

Randy Salter, and Percy Utsman.
The end of school is the main subject talked about now. Everyone is struggling to get grades up and also bracing for final exams. After the books are closed, there is a great summer ahead. Summer means play, work, fellowship, vacation, and parting of the seniors.

We have two young brave boy scouts in our cottage. Robert Wicker and Kenny Godwin are members of a local scout troop. Goodbye from all the boys at

Goodbye from all the boys a Jennie Gilmer.

Percy Utsman

#### A MEMORIAL GIFT

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You will find enclosed \$ in memory of
Name of Deceased
Address
Date of Death
Survivor To Be Written
Address
Relationship of Survivor To Deceased
Donor
Address

# SPRINGTIME



Mr. Nance, our farm manager, shows the boys how a fence should be built.



Alice and Friend



Mr. Nance supervises uncovering of the strawberry patch.

# Would you like to be Houseparents (Man and Wife Couple) or Housemother at Barium Springs? - - - - Then We Need You

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## WHAT ARE HOUSEPARENTS?

They are people who live in a cottage on the Barium Springs campus with a group of twelve boys or girls. They become substitute parents to this group of children who range in age from six to eighteen years.

#### DO HOUSEPARENTS RECEIVE TRAINING?

Yes, you not only go through a trial period working on the campus but we provide at no cost to you other training opportunities. In the first place your supervisor is a person with special training and experience in this work. Regular staff workshops are held on campus and other training opportunities off the campus are provided.

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Write to: MR. EARLE FRAZIER

Director of Campus Life

Barium Springs Home for Children Barium Springs, North Carolina 28010

- Giving: 1. Date of Birth
  - 2. Education
  - 3. Experience
  - 4. Church Membership
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# MY LIFE AT BARIUM



MILDRED WATERS

I came to my new home on August 6, 1954 at the age of six. I was very excited and happy because never before had I had so many children my age to play with. didn't realize at the time that this was to be my home until my graduation. My first housemother was Mrs. Gentry and we lived at Annie Louise Cottage. I only lived with Mrs. Gentry one year and then in 1955, I moved into Miss Lois Jackson's cottage. I have lived with Miss Jackson for twelve years and I must admit she's "okay." She has helped me in many "tough" spots and is continually trying to guide and direct me. My first job at Barium was to serve and clean tables in the dining room under the supervision of Mrs. Annie Pope and Mrs. Mary White. Later on, I was promoted to the dish hall and still later to the kitchen. Presently, I am a part-time dining room girl or substitute for dining room, dish hall or kitchen.

My favorite pastimes are reading and writing poetry and singing. At one time I was sure I wanted to become an opera singer but later decided opera singing wasn't for

Leaving Barium, my home, will be the hardest thing I've ever done, but having such wonderful friends to come back to won't make it so hard. I am greatly indebted to the staff for their help, love and guidance. Thirteen years of my life has been spent at Barium and those years will be cherished for the rest of my life. Some people may won-"why did I have to come here." I know why I'm here and there is no way I could ever repay God for giving me a home when things were difficult for my family and

After graduation I hope to work in Charlotte, North Carolina, with the Southern Bell Telephone Com-

May God, our God, always look upon Barium Springs with a smil-ing face.

Mildred Waters



PERCY UTSMAN

I came to Barium when I was five years old. Along with me came six brothers and two sisters. Leonard and I went to live at Stowe Cottage (better known as Baby Cottage). I wasn't homesick because before I came I was used to being moved around among my relatives. Barium was the best place I had yet lived. There were many boys and girls my age. I spent three years at Stowe Cottage, then my parents were able to take my brother and me back home. After a year my mother became ill and I came back to Barium to live at Lee's Cottage. After a year at Lee's our cottage moved to the Lottie Walker Building, because Lee's was to be replaced. After five years at Lottie Walker I moved to Jennie Gilmer Cottage, at which I am now.

I am on my twelfth year at Barium, my growing years. I think Barium has done an excellent job of shaping my life. I have received benefits many children will never get; understanding, guidance, felowship, and a good opportunity to further my education.

Just like any other person I have met hard times, but hard times are always followed by good times.

I have also worked many places at Barium. I've worked at the infirmary, carpenter shop, farm. orchard, and then back to the shop. Mr. Ervin, my work boss at the carpenter shop, is the man that has meant the most to me. He always says the right thing at the right moment and takes interest in his

After I leave Barium I'm going to Rowan Technical Institute in Salisbury. I'm taking a course in Electrical Installation and Mainte-

I'll always remember Barium as my golden years.

Percy Utsman

#### SPRING BOARD MEETING HELD

The semi-annual meeting of the Board of Regents was held on April 19 and 20 at the Home. A good attendance of the members provided for Committee meetings on the 19th and reports to the full Board on the 20th.

As usual members of the Staff who have responsibilities for certain areas met with Committees giving them both written and oral reports as regards both progress and future plans.

The treasurer, Mr. Shepherd Speight, Jr. made a six months report on the financial condition. While we have spent slightly over one half of the budget in the first six months, it was pointed out that some non-recurring items have been paid and thus income vs expenditures for the fiscal year, ending September 30th, should be in balance.

A record budget for the year 1967-68 was submitted and approved by the Board. The increase over the past year of approximately \$30,000.00 all goes for new program. In the area of staff, it provides for additional case-workers in the social service department which will further strengthen work with the families of the children served. This is very much in keeping with the new family oriented program and should help us to enable more children to either remain at home or return to a rehabilitated family situation. At the same time, of course, we know that all children living away from home need a close relationship with an understanding adult in helping them to understand themselves and to work our their problems.

This additional program money also will enable the Home to set-up two new small group homes away from the campus to serve children of special need. This will let us serve an additional twelve boys and girls making a plus in number over and above those cared for on the campus at Barium Springs.

While the forward movement of the expanded program, as described above, was probably the most important decision of the Board, they did take notice of other matters. They saw and approved the many physical renovations that have been made recently to the living quarters of both staff and children. Staff reorganization has about been completed. Three new couples are now staffing cottages of boys and girls. Additional caseworkers are being sought and the Casework

Committee gave attention to this. The Board praised the literature being supplied them, both from the Barium office and from the Child Care Information Center at Chapel Hill. A feeling was expressed that Board members ought to be better informed about the needs of children and their families and about the methods to be used in supplying these needs.

Retiring from the Board was

# SOUTHEASTERN CHILD CARE ASSOCIATION WELL ATTENDED

The annual meeting of the Southeastern Child Care Association was held in High Point, North Carolina on April 4, 5, and 6. On the opening evening of April 4th the keynote speaker was Dr. Alan Keith-Lucas, Professor in the School of Social Work at the University of North Carolina in Chapel This had special significance for Barium staff since Dr. Keith-Lucas is a member of the Board of Regents.

On the second and third days institutes and group discussions were held in the various areas of child care. Included were houseparents, social workers, administrators and other auxiliary staff people. The highlight of these Workshops was the leadership of Mr. Martin Gula, Group Child Care Specialist

with the Children's Bureau in Washington, D. C.

An attendance record of 274 was set. Representing Barium Springs were Mr. Earle Frazier, Mr. Rufus Fisher, Mr. Meredith White and Nat K. Reiney. At the business session on the last day, Mr. W. W. Snyder of Elon College Home for Children was elected President for the next year. We, at Barium, were honored in having Mr. Earle Frazier, our Director of Campus Life, being made a member of the program committee.

A special attraction for all was a visit and dinner that the Baptist Children's Home at Thomasville hosted. Those in attendance went to the various cottages for the meal and were escorted over the campus. The meeting next year will be held in Charleston, S. C.

## Alumni News

Walter Snead from Charlotte visited Barium. He is music director for the radio station WYFM in Charlotte.

Bobby Grier visited on the campus. He has completed his course at Kings Business College.

Copied from Davidson College Bulletin:

"Big man in the International set is Rufus Long who has recently joined the Agency for International Development as a banking advisor. Rufus, who now resides in Korea, was former Vice-President of First Virginia Corporation in Old Dominion Bank in Arlington.

Bobbie (Marlow) and Ralph Spencer stopped by Barium on their way from Banner Elk where they attended a Workshop.

Kay (Brewer) and Daryl Paint-

Mr. Charles Boney of First Presbyterian Church, Wilmington, after having served eight years as a loyal member, the last one being President of the Board of Regents. The new President is Mr. William C. Thacker from Winston-Salem and member of the Highland Presbyterian Church. The Board also accepted with regret the resignation of Rev. Lynn Brown as a member. er and little boy visited Barium recently.

Calvin Burleson, assistant principal at the Rock Hill High School for the past three years, has been principal of Rock Hill named High School. In making the announcement the superintendent of schools said the administration was 'looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to working with Mr. Burleson. We believe that he is eminently qualified by virtue of both his training and experience.

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# CAMP FUND

Already gifts have begun to arrive for the Camp Fund. In the month of June some thirty children will be at Camp Grier with about forty more to go in July and August. Other camping, recreation and conference experiences are being planned throughout the sum-

All contributions, in whatever amount, will be appreciated since this is not one of our budgeted items. If you wish to send a child to Camp Grier, the cost is \$25.00. Gifts are welcome from both individual and church groups. Your help will be sincerely appreciated and we assure you a child will

CAMP FUND

The enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ is to be placed in the

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help with other camp and conference experience during
the summer months.
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By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

#### "RUNNING AWAY"

As a little boy of three I ran away from home. The recollection is hazy, and I don't recall why I wanted to go. Perhaps I did something I shouldn't and was punished. Or maybe I didn't do something I should and was scolded

Anyway, I was angry. I stalked out the back door, down the drive, through the garden gate, and up the sidewalk to the back alley. There, as I remember, was a gloomy, delapidated, barn by a dark looking alley. At this point I decided home wasn't so bad after all. I made a hasty retreat the same way I had come.

Most of us have run away from home at one time or another. Sometime the children here run away. They may get together and plan an "escape." Or perhaps a boy just takes off. Often times these children want to get back to their real homes or at least to the communies where they used to live.

Often the running away is "acting out." Unable or unwilling to put into words their feelings, the children express their emotions through this specific behaviour. In this case, running away may mean anger at a houseparent for being punished. It may indicate feelings of guilt because of immorality. It may suggest anxiety about relationships with other chil-

Running away seems to take place in two age groups. The first consists of young boys around ten or eleven who are in a hurry for adventure. Often, however, a night out in a nearby field or a long, tiring walk down some deserted road quickly changes their minds.

The most common age for running away is early or middle teens and may occur among girls more often than boys. At this age running away is an expression of defiance toward authority and an assertion of independence. Almost always it includes basic unsolved problems. When asked why they ran away, children in this age group usually have some answer. Often, though, the words do not express clearly the deeper and more basic motives.

Perhaps in this desire to run away we see a kinship with the children in the Home. What many of them are doing is running away or trying to escape the facts of life. And so are we! Of course retreat is one way of dealing with reality, and sometimes flight is a good defense. Generally, however, few problems can be solved by ignoring them.

Simply "taking off" is not the only way of running away. We can evade facing up to life by the excessive use of alcohol and drugs. We may try to escape our problems by being busy, sleeping too much, or becoming ill. Mental illness is sometimes a successful attempt to escape from the real world into a life of one's own fantasy.

Running away fails to solve our problems as well as those of the children here in the Home for at least two reasons. One is that when we wake up, sober up, or simply go back, the problem is still there.

More important is that in running away we do not escape the prob-lem. Usually we take it with us. For basically the problem is us, our relationship to other persons, and our need to learn to cope with life. Anywhere we go, the problem goes with us.

I heard a minister say that he tried to start a church in a small town in Texas. He met with little success because a woman tried to undermine his character through insinuating gossip. While she was immoral, she attacked him. The going got rough for the minister, and he decided he should leave. However, a thought kept coming to him, so often that he finally took it as a word from God. "If you leave this place now, you will have to start over again wherever you so." will have to start over again wherever you go.'

IF YOU RUN AWAY, YOU HAVE TO START OVER AGAIN-WHEREVER YOU ARE.

Running away relieves the pressure for a time. But in running away we lose opportunity to experience what God wants us to learn where we are. Sooner or later the time is right to leave a place. There is a proper moment to put distance between one's self and a problem. But usually we are in too big of a hurry to leave. Unless we stay and learn even if it is rough—then we will have to start all over again some other

The boys and girls in the Home here are present because of family problems. They need to be in this particular place at this particular time. They can learn something here. They can learn to live.

There are no "locked doors" on the campus and anyone can leave. However, someone goes looking for children if they do run away because we want them to know we care for them. They likely will be punished because they must learn to respect rules. They may leave again, perhaps for good. But often as we can we try to help them see the consequences. If they do go too soon, they will have to start all over again wherever they are

If we are running from the word of God for us, we should consider the impossibility of escape. What we fail to accept and experience where we are now, we will have to undertake later, some other place.

#### **ALUMNI NEWS**

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He has demonstrated his ability to work effectively with teacher, pupils and patrons of the district." Before becoming assistant principal, Calvin was assistant football coach and head basketball coach at Rock Hill for four years. His basketball teams won nine trophies and three regional championships in four years. He was Coach of the Year in the state in his first year as cage coach. Calvin was awarded his master's degree in Public School Administration at Appalachian in the summer of 1966. He will become high school principal as the fall term begins in September.

Born to Pat (Williams) and Billy Jones on April 3rd, a son, Roy Dale.

Melvin Cannon stopped by for short visit. He lives at Georgia Avenue, Tarboro. Edward Cannon lives at Pine View Motor Homes at Greenville and Shirley, who is Mrs. Joseph Brown, lives on Farmville Highway at Greenville.

Kathy Weeks, daughter of Mary (Johnson) and Jesse Weeks, was married to David Eugene Whitehead on May 6 in Milner Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Notice to Alumni:

If you have recently changed your address or have a new married name, please send the change to Miss Becky Carpenter. We are bringing our roster up to date.

We enjoyed having a group from Circle No. 7 of Women of the First Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville visit us recently. Among this group was one of our own girls, Edna Maples Plummer.

# Cottage News

It looks as though May is going to be a fabulous month for the girls at North Cottage. It's always nice to start off on the right foot and I think we have.

First of all, our new houseparents have moved in and seem to be two very wonderful people. Mr. and Mrs. Cavanaugh fit in just perfect. They are very energetic and have a great sense of humor so I know things are going to be just fine.

The next biggest thing, for a few of us anyway, will be the Jun-ior-Senior Prom. Four of our girls will be going.

And, of course, last but not least, May 31st will be a big and happy day for everyone. I'm sure the summer has many surprises and won-derful things in store for each of

Last week one of our girls left to go home. Diane Guin has been at Barium for about six or seven years. She has been a very good friend to many of us. We are really going to miss her but I'm sure she is happy so this will be enough to make it wonderful for We all want to wish her the very best that life has to offer and happiness and success in whatever she undertakes to do.

Well, I guess that sums it up for this month because there are many things yet to happen. So long 'til next month!

North Cottage Girls

#### **GROUP HOMES**

Recently it was announced that two small group homes would be established as off-campus programs. At that time Mr. Meredith White. ACSW, joined the staff as supervisor of this new work. Possibly a brief progress report is in order.

At this writing, early in May, a study has been made of the educational needs of boys and girls on the campus in school grades 7 through 10. Since this program has as its focus vocational education, those who have particular need in this direction have been brought together and informed about the

Also, at this time surveys are in the process of being conducted in neighboring counties to Iredell to determine those school systems offering the widest range of opportunity. Particular attention is also being paid to work-study type of courses. By the end of June we would hope to have selected the locations of these homes and have made all practical arrangements to open them. This would enable us to move some ten to twelve boys and girls in late summer.

Not only will this open up for the first time a great opportunity for these young people to obtain training in a chosen vocation, but maybe more important will be their chance to move back into the community under near normal living arrangements.

#### **Bad News From** The Orchard

The freeze in March and poor pollination has left us with poor prospects in the orchard. Peaches would appear to be about a 40% crop and apples possibly not that good. Since our costs go right on, this means a loss of considerable revenue from the farm this year.

We are glad to report that the 400 new apple trees we set last fall are doing nicely. Also, the two and one-half acre vineyard has now been set and the vines are growing well. At spare time, posts are being set for the vines and wire will be stretched for their proper care. Within three years this should be an added cash crop that can be sold right along with fruit from the orchard. Also, this year we are planting more cantaloupes and watermelons so that an increased yield will be for sale.

# BARIUM MESSENGER

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## Conference For Social Services

The annual meeting of the North Carolina Conference for Social Service was held in Charlotte on April 9th and 10th. Our agency was honored in having its Executive Director, Nat K. Reiney, being elected a member of the Board of Directors. This group of people vitally interested in the total well being of all people in North Carolina. Naturally, our paramount interest is in children and families who have a special need. Working together in common goals through-out the State, such a Conference of like-minded people can do much to bring opportunity to those needing help.

## Memorial Fund

We simply call to the attention of all new readers in particular, and to old subscribers as well, the memorial blank printed in each copy of the Messenger.

Educational costs continue to increase both in the public schools as well as in higher education. Memorials sent to the Home are used to provide for the educational needs of all the boys and girls.

No finer investment can be made than in helping children to obtain an education in keeping with their ability and desire. Funds given in memory of a loved one or friend become a living memorial in the lives of these young people. We particularly express our appreciation to the large number of families who specify that memorials be sent to Barium Springs Home for Children in times of bereavement.

### A MEMORIAL GIFT

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You will find enclosed \$ in memory of
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Pretty girls are by far at their most excited best for the Junior-Senior Prom. We think ours rate at the top. Don't you agree?

# HOMECOMING

August 13th

# **Barium Springs**

Cordial Welcome To All Alumni Bring Your Family — Picnic Lunch Plans Are For A Wonderful Day

#### Lost Alumni

We need your help in locating numerous Barium Families with whom we have lost contact. If you have addresses of any of the following alumni, please send them to Becky Carpenter. This is only a partial list beginning with the first of the alphabet.

Abbott, Adams, Adcox, Alexander, Anderson, Andrews (Francis der, Anderson, Andrews (Francis and Forney, James, Janie, Charles), Ayers, Barefoot (Clifford and Clifton, Walter, Edwin), Barnhard, Beaver, Berry, Berryhill, Billings, Blue (Geraldine, etc.), Bobbitt, Bolden, Booney, Boswell, Bowmen, Boyd, Bradford, Brafford, Bridgers, Brooke, Boyd, Bradford, Brafford, Bridgers, Brock, Brooks, Brown (with exception of Reid, Helen, Newton). Byrd (Elizabeth, etc.), Caldwell, Cammer, Campbell, Capps, Carter, Charles, Christenbury, Church, Clark (Howard, etc.), Clayton, Coltran, Colvin, Cook, Coppedge (Mary, Duffie and Eyelyn), Cor-(Mary, Duffie and Evelyn), Cornett, Coxwall, Craig, Daniels.

# Gardening Time

All the early garden is up and while the long dry spell has been a handicap the recent rains and now the warmer weather should provide the growth needed. Onions, radishes and greens have been available. Strawberries are plentiful and we had our first shortcake on the last Sunday in April. By the time you read this we should have plenty of cabbage, peas, and possibly green beans for the table.

Our early planting of corn and beans for freezing has now been done. As was the case last year, we want to freeze enough of the major vegetables to last throughout the year. We are still eating corn, beans and squash from last year's crop. They are good and very wholesome. Irish potatoes and sweet potatoes are other crops we grow in abundance for our own use.

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## 10 O'clock Sunday

At 9:45 A.M. each Sunday morning, the chimes in the steeple of Little Joe's Church ring out familiar hymns. Depending on the weather, they may be heard as far as a mile. Primarily, however, they sound to help prepare the boys and girls from the Home for Church School.

After breakfast, chores, and getting dressed, they head toward the carillon music. Hopefully, the deep, resonant tones create a reverent and worshipful atmosphere for the three-quarter hour Church School. Here in these few minutes the boys and girls may begin to see Jesus Christ as the key to the mystery of life.

This, then, is our *purpose* at Little Joe's, to present the Good News, to instruct the children in the Bible and the faith, and to challenge them to personal commitment and service.

As a purpose it sounds good. It looks even better on paper. As a matter of fact, however, purpose and practice are not always the same. For instance, let's look at the persons involved. First are the children. Most of them are from the Home. (We are a community church as well, but the two don't really mix. There are several reasons—but let's stick to the subject).

Some of the children come from Christian homes. Many, however, do not. Some who have been here for some time have learned something about the Bible and the Christian faith, often more than we have realized. Basically, however, we are dealing with children who do not have any real background in and for Christian education.

Further, like many children today, they are not the least bit interested in studying in the Covenant Community. The difference between this and other schools is that these pupils gang up in their resistance. If any child may be interested, he is not likely to show too much of it, too often, for too long. He gets the "treatment."

For some time, at least, the Church School has been one of the major points of tension and frustration release. Here the children have unloaded much of their resentment and anger about having no home.

They make no effort to prepare for lessons. (This is not uncommon I'm sure). And in addition they seem to try to pay as little attention as possible during the session. Occasionally their interest may be caught by certain methods and subjects, but it is difficult to hold it long.

In summary, the children are not very responsive. I do not make this observation as a complaint or criticism. As a matter of fact, under the circumstances I don't really expect the response to be much different.

The other *persons* involved are the teachers. The major concern (Continued on Page 2)

# AROUND THE CAMPUS

The last of May and early June are most exciting times around the campus of a large home like ours.

Activity has buzzed on every hand. The garden has been to plant and lots of work in the orchard. The grass just will grow and about thirty acres of it on the campus keeps the mower humming.

But more exciting to boys and girls, especially the teenagers, have been the year end school activities. The Junior-Senior Prom is always a top social event. Not to be outdone though, the Freshmen-Sophomores follow through with a dance of their own.

Amidst all this enjoyment are final examinations and the dread to see that report card which may not be as good as had been hoped.

Then comes the really big events for the Seniors—Baccalaureate and Graduation. This year for the first time the Baccalaureate services were held in Little Joe's Church. It was most comfortable and we were so happy to have the people of the community on our campus.

Graduation was held in the gymnasium of South Iredell. Most of the staff (a few had to stay home to take care of those not able to attend, dressed up and went to join this happy occasion with our six seniors. At the request of the seniors, Mr. and Mrs. Reiney stood up as their parents.

Along with these celebrations somebody yells that summer is here and why is the swimming pool not filled with water. So Mr. White, Mr. Gilmore and a group of boys empty, clean, and refill. This only to awake on the next day to a temperature of 46 degrees.

#### SUMMER STAFF

In order to have a full and well-rounded program during the summer it's necessary to add to our staff. From Richmond, Virginia, we are most pleased to have Mr. and Mrs. John Goodman. Mr. Goodman is a rising senior at Union Seminary and a graduate of Davidson College. His wife is a secondary school teacher. Mr. Goodman will assist with youth work at Little Joe's Church and help with other campus activities.

Mr. Bill Williams, a student at Davidson, will assist in the area of recreation. Miss Martha Sue Henley, a student at St. Andrews College, will work with the younger children in indoor and outdoor activities. Both of these students will also fill in for the staff during time-off and generally help whenever needed.

Also we expect to have an excellen period each day in arts and crafts. Directing this program during the summer will be Mrs. Marie Holman. She teaches art locally and has a special talent for helping children in such a program.

#### **SENIORS - 1967**

In the three recent issues of the Messenger you have read, we hope, with much interest, about our six seniors who were graduated on Tuesday night, May 30 from South Iredell High School.

Another step has been completed on the ladder of life and now it's on to the next rung. It's to work, to college and technical school that now calls them. Randy Salter has already enrolled in Pfeiffer College and will go to summer school beginning on June 5th. Connie Webb is enjoying a brief vacation before she accepts the call with Southern Bell to be a long distance operator on June 12th at the Charlotte office.

Mildred Waters plans to live in Charlotte with her brother and will work, but final decisions have not been made. Al Blake has gone to Long Island, New York to live and work with his brother for the summer and then to technical school in the fall.

Royce Harris and Percy Utsman will live on campus this summer and work at the Kewaunee Technical Furniture Company. Come fall Royce will be attending Mitchell College and Percy will enroll at Rowan Technical Institute.

We commend this fine group of young men and young women to you. Several of them have lived at Barium for the most of their young lives. It's the only home they have known. Others have been here for a shorter length of time. We believe that with some more education and experience in the hard knocks of everyday life that each of them will demonstrate that they have been worthy of all the help that has been given them. May God bless them and always provide a sheltering arm.

# Presbyterian Institute

(The following article is reprinted from the news bulletin of Bellewood, our Presbyterian Home for Children in Kentucky.)

We want you to know of a new activity centered at Bellewood which we trust and pray will have great significance in the future, not only for Bellewood, but for a far wider scope of child-care agencies, and many others concerned with

helping people.

The Presbyterian Institute for Human Development, Inc. has been established under private sponsorship to instigate, encourage, direct, and support to the limit of its means, projects concerned with learning how to better help others. A Board of Trustees of four has been established consisting of Dr. John F. Anderson, Executive Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, Presbyterian Church, U. S. Atlanta, Georgia; Dr. Frank H. Caldwell, Executive Secretary, Presbyterian Foundation, U. S., Charlotte, North Carolina; Andrew W. Duncan, Board Member, Bellewood,

Louisville, Kentucky; and George (Continued on Page 2)

## To Our College Graduates— Congratulations

Sue Bush graduated at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on June 5. After graduating from Mitchell, Sue entered the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in her Junior year. At this time she was particularly interested in history and political science and did her practice teaching at Grainger High School in Kinston, teaching world history and economics. She graduated with a major in elementary education on June 5 and will join the teaching profession this fall.

William Amick Johnson graduated at Lenoir Rhyne College on May 29th receiving an AB degree in Health and Physical Education. He will coach and teach this fall. For the summer he is working at the Riverbend Golf Course in Shelby.

Bobby Grier graduated from Kings Business College in Charlotte. He has a position as salesman.

Mary Blalock has graduated from Sanford Business College. She is planning to work in an office for the State.

There are other students who will be pursuing their college courses—

Larry Edwards—Appalachian State Teachers College.

Linda Sue Medlin—East Carolina College.

Jim Blake — University of Oklahoma. Jim Kiser — University of North

Carolina.
Francis Maples—University of Los
Angeles.

Richard Blackburn — Graduate work in Hospital Administration in Atlanta.

Jim Campbell—Who is with the State Highway Commission, is taking a course at East Carolina.

# Cottage News

Hi Friends,

Well, this has been a month that has really called for a lot of work. Juniors trying to find summer jobs, seniors making plans for their futures, and the staff working to have a fun-filled summer for the kids.

Many members of our Barium family have left us this month. The seniors; Clifton, Sherry and Brenda Bayne, Charles, Rosa and others are making plans to go live with their families.

We want to express our sympathy to the Baynes in the loss of their brother and hope they'll find the happiness they deserve now that they're with their father in Greensboro.

We want to express our thanks to Mr. Gilmore and the recreational (Continued on Page 2)

## Alumni News

Mirton and Howard Cox visited the campus recently. Mirton lives at Plymouth and has two children, Mirton, Jr., age 3, and Pam, a year and a half. Howard is still in the Air Force and is planning to go to college when he gets out of service.

Charlie Sears made a recent visit to the campus.

Kathy, daughter of Mary (Johnson) and Jesse Weeks of Raleigh, was married to David Eugene Whitehead, L/Cpl, USMC, at Milner Memorial Presbyterian Church on Saturday, May 6.

Louise Martin Carson's husband Frank, has been quite sick for sometime. Her daughter Sara works in Winston at G.A.C. Finance.

Our sympathy is extended to Sarah Parcell Howard and Nancy Parcell Aycock and other members of the family whose mother, Mrs. Katherine Fraley Parcell, died at Davis Hospital on May 10. Sarah lives in Concord and teaches, Nancy lives in Atlanta.

William Amick Johnson graduated from Lenoir Rhyne College on May 29th.

Russell Whiting, son of Hilda Barnes and John Whiting, is home from the Baptist Hospital in Winston and is improving rapidly.

Jim Hoover spent his leave at Barium Springs. He returned to Camp LeJeune on May 27th.

Bobby Spencer, son of Bobby and Ralph Spencer, graduated from Cleveland High School, Cleveland, Tennessee on May 30th.

Anita Bowers and Offie S. Benfield, Jr., were married on May 21st in a ceremony at Broad Street Methodist Church in Mooresville.

Elizabeth Ann Beattie and Dr. Clifford Thomas Lewis, Jr., were married at Dilworth Methodist Church in Charlotte on Saturday, June 17th. Libby Ann is the daughter of Ann and Walter Beattie.

Congratulations to Dwight Lefler on graduating from Union Pines High School, a consolidated high school near Carthage, on June 2nd.

Peggy McDonald graduated from Union High School at Clinton on June 1st.

Larry Wilkins, who has been in Vietnam, is spending part of his leave at Barium. Larry is in the Marine Corps. He will return to Vietnam for four months.

Gail Nance is attending the first session of summer school at East Carolina College.

Congratulations to Kathy Farmer, daughter of Nelson and Dot Farmer of Statesville on receiving the "Best All Around" at Oakwood Junior High School during the annual awards program.

Born to Patsy (Ross) and Bobby Smith of Troutman, a son on June 5th at Davis Hospital.

Lacy Beshears brought a group from Clemmons Presbyterian Church for worship, dinner and a tour of the campus on June 4th.

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

#### A GIFT OF GOD

In the spring the robins go north. Some pass by Barium Springs. Others decide to live here. One sunny day, looking out the kitchen window, I saw one light in the yard. I like to watch the way robins hop a few feet, cock their heads to the side, and listen for the sound of worms. So I kept my eye on this bird.

However, this day the robin didn't seem to be interested in worms. He was picking up bits of sticks and grass and flying up into the big oak tree by the fence. I suppose he was making a nest.

On a return trip he noticed a ball of kite string one of the children had left lying in the grass. I could tell by the flutter of his wings that he was considerably intrigued. Here was fine material for his home; just what he needed to line his nest! It was bright and white, and there was lots of it

He took the end of the string in his beak and started to fly. However, as he took off, more and more of the string began to unwind. There he was, flying through the air, with several feet of cord trailing behind him.

This confused him, but he was really troubled when the string came to a tangled knot, and then he not only had the weight of the unwound string, but the whole ball of twine to lift. He couldn' make it. It was too heavy. He had to turn it loose and watch it fall to the ground.

He wasn't one to give up easily, however. Down he went again, picked up the end of the string in his beak, and sailed up into the air. It was an interesting performance, a tug of war-his power to lift the string he wanted/versus the weight of the ball of twine.

I don't know whether persistance is a quality of robinhood in general or whether this robin was just hardheaded. Anyway, he put on quite a show for over an hour, trying his best to get the string to his nest. He tried everything from pulling to pecking, but he just couldn't make it. He finally gave up and left the ball of twine lying in the grass.

The next day the gang-mower made a trip through the yard. It didn't stop for the ball of string. It was cut to shreds. For several feet around, string after string littered the grass.

The next day the string was gone. All that was left was a part of the tangled knot and cone. Now, I did not actually see the robin pick up the string, but I would be willing to bet that up in the red oak beside the back fence is a robin's nest lined with the best nylon, kite cord that can be had. Something he couldn't do for himself, someone had done for him. The problem—the weight he couldn't lift, the cord he couldn't break, and the knot he couldn't untie-was no longer his problem because the mower had sliced through the twine.

Like the robin, man has been created with the ability to solve problems of life. While most of the robin's problem solving is built-in instinct, man has to learn. And man has proved pretty adept in solving the problems that confront him and the rest of the world. When one approach won't work he trys another. He simply keeps at it until eventually the right solution appears. For this reason we have seen considerable progress in civilization and culture. Science, industry, and business have continued to make the world a better place to live.

However, there is one problem that no man has ever been able to solve, no matter how long he pecks and pulls at it. Man has not been able to solve the problem of himself. He is a sinner. It is a problem too tough for him to break, too complicated for him to unravel, and too heavy for him to carry.

It just so happened that the robin, after giving up, found that his problem had been solved for him. However, it is no accident that man with all his brilliance must come to the place where he admits his own inability. He cannot save himself. But once he discovers this, then he is in a position to uncover one of the mysteries of the spiritual life. When he quits trying, God can save him. When he gives up, God can step in and do for him what he needs and wants, but can not do for himself.

Salvation is in Jesus Christ who died for our sin. The trouble with many of us is that, unlike the robin, we refuse to admit that we are licked. We want to keep on trying. We don't want to admit defeat. We don't like the scandal of the cross because beneath it we must confess that salvation cannot be earned. It is a gift of God.

#### 10 O'CLOCK SUNDAY

(Continued from Page 1) Sunday after Sunday is getting and holding teachers. Most Churches have trouble getting teachers, but we have a special problem.

In the first place we have a large number of children with a smaller percentage of adult members. Many of these adult members have taught in school at one time or another, and we really appreciate the ones who have stuck with a hard job. Most do not stay very long. Teachers generally like a little response for the effort of preparing a lesson, and do not like to spend most of the time in the class room keeping order. We have had very capable teachers try one or two lessons and simply quit.

We have used personnel from the Home. Some housemothers are still teaching. However, this creates a problem because they are continually struggling with the children, getting them ready to come to Church, etc. By that time, they say, they have lost what little religion they had. It would be much better for the children to be taught by someone who does not have to discipline them.

We have used college students. The children enjoy this, and sometimes we get good teachers. However, the college students schedules often conflict, and sometimes they do not show up when they are supposed to. In addition, some of them do not really attempt to teach.

Some of our teachers are prepared to use Presbyterian Curriculum materials and others are not, for many of our adults on the campus and in the Church have not had an education in a Presbyterian Church School. Scheduling leadership training classes has proved difficult because of conflicts in working hours.

At present we hope to challenge Presbyterians from nearby churches and areas to volunteer as teachers in the Church School at Little Joe's. Perhaps they would be willing to offer their service for a particular length of time. If the local reader feels this challenge, we'd like to hear from him.

We have one other major problem. This is the place. While Little Joe's Church building is beautiful and impressive—even if too large for our needs—we do not have an educational building. We have to use what was once the Elementary School building. It is in the worst condition of all buildings now in use on the campus. It is old, dark, dusty, and musty. The plaster keeps coming off the walls, the floors are rough, and the windows loose. It is not worth remodeling.

The building is hardly conducive to reverence or worship atmosphere. In fact the condition of the building seems to be a major problem in getting a proper response from the pupils. The building exudes the wrong sort of atmos-

I have not meant to be overly pessemistic, only realistic. Despite the limitations of our place, and the problem with the persons involved, the Good News is being taught and some are responding. We know that those whom we do not see respond are receiving a background for future commitment. In this sense, we may say, we are realizing our purpose.

#### COTTAGE NEWS

(Continued from Page 1) staff for working so hard in planning a fun-filled summer for us. I'm sure it's gonna be a great one. One thing I haven't seen mentioned very strongly is our "Hub." Thanks to Mr. Gilmore and other members of the staff, we have a recreational department in the bottom of the gym with pool tables, ping pong, color T. V., a juke box, and other accessories to enjoy. Come and see it. It's really great!

I guess we'll close this month by saying

"Goodbye seniors and friends. You're really missed."

So long folks — see you next month.

> -Sylvia Bush The North Cottage Girls

#### LOTTIE WALKER

Hi,

Here we are again with Lottie Walker news. This will probably be our last time writing Lottie Walker news because we are expecting to move to another cottage soon.

We are already getting acquainted with the new recreation staff members who will be conducting our campus activities during the summer. We are sure with these nice people, we will have lots of fun and frolic.

We are hoping the weather will soon be favorable for us to enjoy swimming in the pool.

Some of us will be attending camp during this month for the first time. We feel sure the experiences gained at camp will make our lives richer.

We hope to have more news later.

> Karen Austin and Lottie Walker Girls

#### Presbyterian Institute

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The initial primary focus of the Institute will be the ministry to children and families through childcare program; but it will not be limited to these programs, either as the knowledge and experience of other related activities may be brought to bear upon this primary focus, or as the knowledge and experience developed herein may seem to be useful in other areas.

The work will function by attempting to bring together need, knowledge and resources in such a matter that needs will be met, knowledge broadened, and resources utilized to the benefit of all. Though study and research to ascertain needs, broaden knowledge, and uncover resources will unquestionably be a part of this work, its primary purpose will be to bring these together to the end that feasible action results.

Projects currently in process which express some of the scope of interests are Child Care Curriculum Development, Leadership Training, Student Summer Service Placement, and Child Care Information Center.

#### A MEMORIAL GIFT

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### ON ADMINISTRATION OF VOLUNTARY AND PUBLIC WELFARE AGENCIES

This stotement is a quate fram a recent ane mode by Dr. Joseph H. Reid, Executive Director of the Child Welfare League of America. We agree with it and cammend its cantent to you.

In the almost four decades which have elapsed since the Child Welfare League was established in 1920, major changes have occurred in the country's social and economic life, and major progress has been made in understanding human development. These changes have necessarily altered the nature of child care programs and, in fact, the kinds of children for whom child welfare agencies, both public and voluntary, provide service. Advances in medical knowledge have almost eliminated the conditions which resulted in orphanhood for many children. Present economic conditions and basic shifts in concepts of governmental responsibility represented primarily by the Social Security Act have reduced financial need as a reason for care of children outside their own homes. Today, because of the value placed on family life, and as the result of wider knowledge of the causes and effects of family breakdowns, child welfare agencies strive to maintain the family through emphasis on prevention, and on preservation or restoration of the child's own home wherever possible.

Most children who must be cared for outside their own homes when preventive measures have failed come from families characterized by divorce, separation, marital discord, and the physical and mental breakdown of their parents. Illegitimacy continues to be a serious social problem. Because these children often come from emotionally impoverished homes, many are seriously troubled children. In addition to physical care, they often require extensive treatment of their emotional ills, and their parents require help to restore the family to normal functioning.

These changes have necessarily affected the pattern of organized child welfare services. In contrast to the early years of our country's history, almost all financial assistance is given through government; public agencies provide for the majority of children who require services both in and out of their own

SCOUTING

homes. Voluntary agencies, however, constitute a vital part of the network of services to children.

Effective cooperation and coordination between public and voluntary services are essential in any community if children are to be well served. Both public and voluntary services must stem from a base of sound principles and policies.

The League is the only national child welfare agency with an accredited membership based on standards, embracing public and voluntary agencies, church related and non-church related.

#### **Role Of Child Welfare Agencies**

The family, as the basic unit of society, has primary responsibility for the child. Child welfare agencies in serving children must, as their first obligation, give all possible assistance to parents in order that they may fulfill their parental roles, meet the needs of their children, and retain their rights as parents. When the individual family is unable to fulfill its responsibility, society must meet this obligation by providing each child with services adequate to meet his physical, emotional and spiritual needs. Respon-

GIRL SCOUTS-Tereso Gront, Koy Rawell, Vickie Thomas,

We feel very strongly that full participation by

the boys and girls in any and all worthwhile

community activities are good for their growth.

Certainly scouting is one of these. It is an ex-

pensive activity. Once upon a time, as was the

case with so many other worthy programs, most

any child could afford the cost, but not so

anymore. We want the best for our children

and so we try to provide it. If you have a

special interest in scouting and would like to

make a gift to help these boys and girls just

send it to us and designate it for our work in

scouting.

untary associations of which the family is a part — the church, the neighborhood, and the voluntary social agencies which may be sponsored by any one of them or by the general community. However, it is the ultimate responsibility and duty of government, as the only instrumentality representative of all the people to see to it that all children who need them receive services adequate to assure healthy development and well-being. Government may accomplish this A) by assistance to families, B) by stimulating and collaborating in development of voluntary services; and C) by provision of public services in all geoghraphic areas for the children who need such service.

All child welfare services are rooted in concern for children. Such services are a manifestation of man's desire to help others, of the community's common concern for all its members and, for many people, of man's need to translate love of God into service to man. Child welfare agencies carry out one of the fundamental functions of a de- conservation of the mocracy rights and opportunities of its people and enhancement of their welfare. It is the joint responsibility of public and voluntary agencies to give leadership in making certain that no child goes uncared for.

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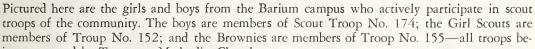
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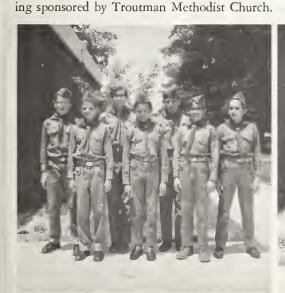
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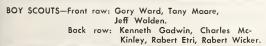
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# NEW ADDITIONS TO SOCIAL SERVICE STAFF



MISS CONNIE BEHRENS



JOHN WALKER

A new day has dawned at Barium Springs by the addition of three caseworkers to our staff. It is a well known fact that in these days of work with the children and their families, a strong social service staff is a necessity. Maximum use of these people will be made in helping children to understand why it is necessary for them to live away from home. At the same time the staff will be working with parents and relatives looking toward a day when families can be reunited. As time goes along we will acquaint you with all phases of the work being done by this staff; and, of course, we hope you will meet them personally. In the meantime let us introduce them through these col-

Mr. John Walker comes to us from Memphis, Tennessee. He is a native of Mississippi and was eduin the public schools there. Mr. Walker is a graduate of Delta State College, Cleveland, Mississippi, where his major was education and social science.

After completing his military service in the U. S. Army, Mr. Walker took a position in the field staff of the American Red Cross where he worked for four years.



MISS JOAN MCALLISTER

For the past two years he has been a caseworker with the Protective Services Division of the Department of Public Welfare in Shelby County, Tennessee. In his work he has had experience in social evalu-ations of families, work in family planning and in giving child and family counseling and guidance. Mr. Walker is an active member of the Methodist Church and is single.

Mr. Walker will be assigned the southeastern section of the State as his territory. Thus, he will be working with all children and families from that area. In this territory he will become acquainted with the church and other agencies interest-ed in the welfare of children.

Miss Connie Behrens is a 1967 graduate of Tulane University with a MSW degree. She is a native of Louisiana and has lived in New Orleans all her life. However, her undergraduate work was done at Maryville College in Tennessee where she received a B.A. in So-

Miss Behrens has long been interested in working in this kind of program. She has spent all her recent summers as a counsellor with young people and as a unit leader in camp programs. Miss Behrens is a Presbyterian and an active mem-ber of the Lakeview Presbyterian Church in New Orleans. Her casework experience has been in field placement while completing her Master's degree in social work.

Miss Behrens will be assigned the southern piedmont section of the State as her territory. As in the case of all caseworkers, she will be the field representative of Barium Springs in this assigned area. We certainly want all ministers and representatives of other agencies interested in children to become acquainted with her.

Both Mr. Walker and Miss Behrens reported to work on June 19th and are now getting acquainted with other staff and with North Carolina. Our other addition to the (Continued on Page 2)

## Synod Elects New **Board Members**

The annual meeting of the Synod of North Carolina was held at Montreat June 6-7, 1967. Since Barium Springs Home for Children is an agency of this Synod it is necessary that we make a report to Synod. This was done as a written report by the President of the Board of Regents, financial reports through Synods Committee on Homes and by an oral report on the floor of Synod by the Executive Director.

This year a change in the by-laws was approved, making the term of office of the members of the Board of Regents a three year term with two consecutive terms being maximum without the lapse of one year before another term. Also, the bylaws were changed to allow for the election of six members of the Board at-large rather than two as in the past. This increases the membership to twenty-four rather than twenty. Now, two are elected from each Presbytery and six at-large.

Surely we speak for all Presbyterians in the Synod when we express gratitude for the men and women who serve on this Board. They are a group dedicated to the care of children and families who have special needs.

Elected at the 1967 meeting of Synod were the following: Mrs. D. J. Black of Wilmington, in the Class of 1968, replacing Mrs. J. F. Branyon, resigned; Rev. Charles Williams of Durham, in the Class of 1969, replacing Rev. Lynn Brown, resigned; and, Rev. John R. McAlpine and Dr. Hugh D. Verner of Charlotte, Mr. Webb Durham of Greensboro, Mr. Louis J. Harrison of Salisbury and Mr. John T. Talbert, Jr. of Wilmington all in the Class of 1970.

On behalf of the other members of the Board, the staff and the children, we do welcome these new members. Their first meeting will be November 15-16, 1967. Mr. William C. Thacker, Winston-Salem is President of the Board of Regents and Mrs. C. E. Reitzel of Statesville is Secretary.

# Broughtons Join

It is with real enthusiasm that we welcome Mr. J. A. Broughton to our staff, and we hasten to add his entire family of Mrs. Broughton and their four young children. Mr. and Mrs. Broughton are a young couple who have a deep desire to live and work with children. They will live on campus and Mr. Broughton will be a member of our campus maintenance staff. His principal duty will be to supervise groups of boys in their work chores. He will work with them in all areas including farm, orchard, building and yard maintenance.

Mr. and Mrs. Broughton came to us from Knightdale, North Carolina, where they have lived most of their lives. While only arriving on

# GRADUATION DAY



Mrs. Sara Smith is shown as she receives her certificate from Mr. John R. Ball

Yes, this is graduation day! But this time the graduates are child care staff instead of children. Pictured above is Mrs. Sara Smith as she receives her certificate from Mr. John R. Ball, Consultant.

Sometime ago it was announced that the houseparents of Barium Springs would go to school for fifteen weeks and receive training in the needs of children of today. They began in January and went to Charlotte each Tuesday morning. This was climaxed with graduation on Tuesday, May 23, when all nine successfully completed the course and received certificates.

The course was given by the Extension Division of the University of Wisconsin and classes held at the

June 1st, they have already put their membership in Little Joe's Church and are part of the cooperative and friendly team of staff persons.

University of North Carolina at Charlotte. Mr. John R. Ball, Consultant with the Department of Mental Health of the State of North Carolina, was the teacher.

Receiving certificates, in addition to Mrs. Smith, were-Mr. Charles Stroud, Mrs. Charles Stroud, Mrs. Margaret Smith, Mrs. Mary Moorefield, Mr. Jim Gilmore, Mrs. Fannie Robinson, Miss Mary Neas and Miss Lois Jackson. The graduation address was given by Mr. Wallace Kuralt, Director, Mecklenburg County Department of Public Wel-

Other institutions participating in this training program were Alexander Children's Center and Thompson Orphanage of Charlotte, and Episcopal Home for Children of York, South Carolina.

We congratulate this number of our staff for their hard work, their devotion to this training and for the achievement.

# HOMECOMING

August 13th

# Barium Springs

Cordial Welcome To All Alumni Bring Your Family — Picnic Lunch Plans Are For A Wonderful Day

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

#### ATTITUDE

There is no doubt that it is easier to be happier and more contented under some circumstances than others. I would rather be well than ill, successful than a failure, and popular than rejected.

However, it is a mistake to assume that circumstances determine happiness or any other emotion. The real test is not the circumstance but the attitude about the circumstance. This determines the emotion.

It is not where we are, but our attitude about our place that counts. The Israelites groaned under their bondage in Egypt. As soon as they were freed by Moses, they began to complain about life in the desert, the hardships of finding food and water, as well as about the danger of enemies. They even wanted to go back to Egypt. It was not where they were that counted but their attitude.

It is interesting to listen to boys and girls express their feelings about being here. Quite a few say they don't like this place and want to go home. Others may wish to go home, or to have a home, but their attitude is different. They realize this is the best place for them under the circumstances. So they are not captured by their environment.

It is not with whom we live, but our attitude about our relationships that really count. Ideally, all of us would like to have perfect husbands or wives. Actually, we soon find out that the man we married has his faults or the woman we courted is not always so sweet. We may prefer it differently but marriage is two persons learning to live together over a period of time.

The children on the campus would rather be with their own fathers and mothers or brothers and sisters. Some don't like their cottage mates. There are groups and sub groups. Some have friends. Some do not. Bigger boys may bully the smaller ones. Larger girls may intimidate the little ones. For some it gets tough, but this seems to be part of any such group interaction.

In each case it is usually not the circumstance which is important. Most go through the same difficulties, some succeeding where others fail. Some manage to get a great deal out of life here, while others get none. The major difference is the attitude.

It is not what we have that matters but our attitude that counts. A large number of persons in our country have never known any real poverty. From childhood on they have had most all of their physical needs met. Children, including the ones here, seem to appreciate little. If they get one thing, they want another, and so on and on. The same is true of us. The very adults who during the Depression wondered where they were going to get enought to eat, now worry because their neighbor has two cars and they don't. Their contentment is not a matter of what they have, but of their attitude.

The Apostle Paul, writing to the Philippians, told them he appreciated their concern for him and their gifts. But he said "he had learned in whatever state he was to be content." It didn't make too much difference whether he was up or whether he was down.

Paul had learned a secret. He had discovered that what mattered was not where, what, or with whom, but attitude.

I once thought feelings determined attitude, but it is the other way around. By definition "attitude" is "position about a person or thing." My "attitude," then, is the way I place myself or position myself in relation to someone or to something. The feeling or emotion arises out of this disposition.

Paul's secret was that his faith in Christ created a new position. Within this dimension every event involved Christ. And because it involved Christ it involved his position about him which was that no matter what happened to him, Christ was with him and would ultimately prove master of the situation. In this light Paul did not see how he could lose.

Further, from this position he found he had the power to control his emotions or his feelings. If he became too elated through pride, he faced the humility of Jesus. Consequently he did not get too keyed up because of a run-away ego. If he became depressed over failure he remembered the forgiveness of sin and that he did not have to be successful, only faithful. He therefore kept his emotions on a positive, even keel.

Whatever the situation his attitude proved conquerer. It set him free and made him master of himself. The same freedom may be possible to us when we discover the power of attitude which arises through faith in Christ.

#### **NEW ADDITIONS TO** SOCIAL SERVICE STAFF

(Continued from Page 1) social service staff is Miss Joan Mc-Allister of Chapel Hill, North Carolina, who will report to work on July 17th.

Miss McAllister, as indicated above, is a native of North Carolina. She is a 1967 graduate of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. While there, she has received a B.S. degree in Sociology. She is a Presbyterian and a member of the University Presbyterian Church at Chapel Hill.

Miss McAllister will work as a trainee in this department; and if all goes well, she will move on to graduate school in a year or so, where she will seek a Master's degree in social work. She will be assigned the northeastern section of the State, and thus will become the field worker in that territory.

It goes without saying how happy we are to have these wonderful additions to the Barium Staff. They will work under the supervision of Mr. Rufus Fisher, AČSW, who many of our church people have already met. Mr. Fisher came to Barium in July of last year to be Director of Social Services and it is a real credit to the agency that a full staff has now been completed in less than a year after his arrival.

### Alumni News

Dallas Williams and his son came with a group from the West Jefferson Presbyterian Church to have lunch and tour the campus re-

Beverly McClure received her Master's Degree in Religious Education at Yale Divinity School in New Haven, Connecticut on June 12. She will spend a year in internship with a team that will be working at Yosemite National Park in an experience religious program.

Mary Emma (McClure) and Frank Garcia and their son spent some time in Statesville with Mary Emma's parents. Frank received his Doctor of Theology Degree cum laude from Princeton Seminary in

David Spencer, who coaches and teaches at McAuley in Chattanooga, made a short visit to Barium recently. He was attending his class reunion at Davidson.

Carolyn Childers and Richard Whisnant visited Barium. Richard has been at Pope Air Force Base but will go to Vietnam after his furlough. Carolyn will be living in

Charles Donaldson, son of Marietta and Lafayette Donaldson, received his degree in Textile Technology at State College in May.

Steve Cagle, son of Eleanor Eudy Grissom and the late Mr. Cagle, graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a B. S. degree in pharmacy. He was awarded the Alice Nobel Award for his "notable contributions to the literary aspects of pharmacy". was student instructor in the Pharmacy Library. Also, he was editor of the pharmacy newspaper in his senior year. At present he will be working at Willard's Drug Store in

Thelma and Charlie Sears are the proud grandparents of a grandson, Jeffrey Charles, born on May 28th, to Ellen (Sears) and Luther Harkey

of Salisbury.

Born to Esau and Mary Frances (Isenhour) Davis of Bradenton,

# CAMP FUND...

Children continue to go to Camp rier each month. Two more Grier each month. groups are to attend in the month of August.

For some reason contributions to the support of this program are not up to par this year. Individuals and groups in the Church who have helped us with this in the past may have missed seeing our request in other issues of the Messenger.

This is an urgent appeal for help.

It is a considerable cost to provide the many summer opportunities given to the boys and girls. Our camp program is not a budgeted item. It is one that does give an opportunity to those who have a special interest in Barium to make a gift. We hope you have not forgotten us and will post a check right away. Use the blank to give us your name and address so we can properly record and acknowledge it.

#### CAMP FUND

The enclosed \_\_\_\_\_ is to be placed in the

Camp Fund and used to send children to Camp Grier or to help with other camp and conference experience during the summer months.
Name
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Florida, on June 12th, a son, Jeffer-

Julia (Clendenin) and Richard Galloway visited Julia's parents over a week-end. Richard graduated from Johns Hopkins Medical School and is beginning his internship at Vanderbilt Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee.

Glenn Houck, who is in the Marines, visited the campus. He has spent some time in Trinidad and will report to Camp Lejeune after

Mrs. Julia McKee Brooks of Raleigh died on Saturday, June 17th. She was at Barium under Mr. Boyd. Her daughter, Mrs. O. J. Underwood, lives in Raleigh. Nelson and Dot (Moore) Farm-

er celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Sunday June 25th. Their son, Carl, a student at Wake Forest College, and daughter, Kathy, a tenth grader at Statesville Senior High School, entertained at a reception for them.

Joe Long who is a Colonel in the Air Force is a jet pilot in Vietnam.

Linda Byrd is out of the service. She is living in Fayetteville at 603 Canterburg Road.

Robert Bosworth visited Barium recently. His address is 5919 Wyatt Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

J. D. Beshears, his wife, Maxine, and son Jimmy, visited Barium with the Sunday School Class from the Southminster Presbyterian Church at Winston-Salem.

Larry Wilkins has returned to Vietnam after his leave. Prior to his leave he had served for about 14 months in Vietnam.

Peggy Utsman, who is Mrs. J. D. Johnson, is living in Clearwater Beach, Florida. She has a little boy, Donald, who is two months old. Her husband is a staff sergeant and left for Vietnam on July 3rd.

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# SUMMER ACTIVITIES



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#### DISCIPLINE

By NEIL WYRICK, JR.

In the Book of Genesis (18:19) the Lord says of Abraham, "I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord." The word is discipline, not just the learning of right and wrong, but the consequences when it is not practiced.

The word "disciple" means "make one to learn." It is associated with reward for obedience, punishment when we disobey. The child who does not have it becomes like a ship without a captain, a harbor, or a course.

What is a child? Well, first he is an infant—tiny, inadequate, completely dependent on his mother and father for care. There is no problem of discipline, for his personality is not yet making its play for power. As he begins to walk, his world expands and also his opportunities for mischief, and also his chances for conflict. Mother says, "No-no." He says, "Yes-yes." As he grows older, he develops hostilities — toward parents, friends, strangers, life. He becomes messy, stingy, argumentative—sweet and cooperative one minute and unholy terror the next! It is now or never—for it is a battle of who will rule or be ruled.

It is better to tell a child "don't" than one day to have to weep, "Why didn't I?" And better still if the parent gives some "do's" as well as "don't." And gives some reasons why.

Discipline must be consistent. A child who is never sure of what a

parent will do will gamble. It's worth it just to play the odds. Such a child becomes at best an unstable little creature and carries the game on into his adult years. It's called, "Let's see if I can get by with it."

Speak softly. Even when a parent is right, he is wrong if he shouts. He is not trying to discipline his child's ear drums, just his actions. It's somehow rather silly to be shouting at him to control himself when the parent is in the midst of not controlling himself.

Discipline without affection is like a meal without fellowship. It gets the job done but something is missing. A father can make a child behave. He's bigger. He pays the bills. He's got high suit in the game. But one day the boy is 200 pounds in weight, six feet in height and he says, "Pop" you go shout somewhere else; you've shouted your last at me." Or a girl 18 says, "I don't dig your idea of justice, Mom, so now you go your way, because I'm going mine." Discipline must show love, say love and leave no doubts. Discipline, and then put your arm around a shoulder and say, "I'm sorry, I had to do it; again, but just remember, I love you."

A child who is disciplined with love may not like it, but he will never resent it.

Admit you could be wrong. I often say to my children, "I could be wrong, but the odds are more in my favor than yours because I've lived longer." Give your child the chance to speak. If you listen, he may convince you. Even if he doesn't, he will feel better because he has had his day in court. Treat your child like a human being. Respect is a two-way street. Some par-

ents treat their children with less respect than their enemies. "Shut up," "Get out of here," "Go do your work," with nary a please, or thank you. Some parents take out their anger on their children because they can get away with it. Except they really don't, because the child knows injustice—is marred and marked by it — rebels against it—never really forgets it. If there is anything a child wants from his parents more than love, it is fair play and justice.

Don't have two sets of rules. If you want your daughter to keep her room neat, keep yours neat. She's not blind. If you want your son to have a sense of responsibility, don't let him hear you making excuses. Does your boy have an ungovernable temper? Where did he learn it? Is your daughter lazy? Where did she see it? I have had reason to talk with many kids and what bothers them most is the double standard.

Set up guidelines. Let your child know there is something you want him to be, not just rules you want him to follow. You couldn't think up or write down that many rules and he couldn't remember them. "What would Christ have me do?" "Will this deed hurt my family?" "Who am I?" "What do I want to become?" A child who has these kinds of questions running through his head will not often go wrong. A child should never have to say, "But I don't know what Mother and Dad want."

Deal with your daughter or grand-daughter with wisdom as well as love. Know that discipline is a two-edged sword and wisdom and love are the edges. Pray to God

## SUMMER EDUCATION PROGRAM

Pictured above are a variety of activities which our children are privileged to enjoy and from which to learn during the vacation period away from school.

To them, this is all fun, but another rather important activity is not so much fun. It is a "back to school" task that, while so important, is not as relaxing as swimming, playing ball or other recreational pursuits!

A large percentage of our children may come to us already behind one year in school; others have had, through no fault of their own, poor school atetndance; some have moved frequently; and finally, some have not taken full advantage of using the talents God has given to them. This means that for these children a catching up time must come. They are especially far behind in reading and others are about as laggard in their mathematics.

To help correct these deficiencies, we are making every attempt to offer the child so affected an op-

for patience, for anger is a knife in the back of knowledge. Angry men or women do not think well nor act wisely.

Twenty-five per cent of a lifetime is spent as a child. This time of influence by home and family is even more important because it is the first 25 per cent. God grant us all in the making of our homes to make them well.

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portunity for learning these skills. Therefore, for six weeks this summer we are running school on the campus four hours each day. There is a principal and four teachers employed to hold classes and supervise the study.

With this good faculty, small classes with intense effort can be provided each child. In addition to a good faculty, we have been able to get and use the very latest equipment with which to teach these skills.

At the same time, we have been able to secure the services of educational consultants to visit our campus and counsel with us regarding our total educational program. For instance, tests have been given all children, and those enrolled in classes will be tested again at the end of the session to determine progress. Other vocational guidance people are having conferences with older young people about their needs and desires for further training in high school and beyond.

A few field trips will be taken to see points of historical interest, which will also contribute to their knowledge. All of this extra program would not have been possible except for the help from ESEA funds provided by the State Board of Education.

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Dr. Morshall Dendy, on the left, Moderotor of the General Assembly af the Presbyterion Church, U. S., is greeted by Mr. William C. Thacker, President, Boord af Regents, Borium Springs Hame for Children, an his visit ta the campus.

## MODERATOR VISITS

One of the highest honors in its 76 year history came to Barium recently, when it was selected by the current Moderator of the General Assembly, Dr. Marshall Dendy, for a visit to its campus.

For many years Moderators have gone on visits to a foreign mission field arranged by the Board of World Missions. This year, however, the Moderator wanted a special tour of the work being done by the Presbyterian Church in the homeland. Such a tour was arranged by the Board of National Ministeries. Flying in a four-seater plane piloted by Rev. Chick Thorington of Atlanta, and, guided by Dr. Lawrence Bottoms, the Moderator and Mrs. Dendy visited a special area of ministry of the church in eight Synods.

First, we were delighted that a Home for children was included in such an important undertaking; and, of course, most pleased that the Home selected was Barium Springs. After all, caring for children and helping families in special need is one of the oldest and best known areas of organized service which the church has rendered.

While at Barium the Moderator and Mrs. Dendy took a tour of the physical facilities provided for the care of children. Then, they joined in a conference with the administrator and other staff, along with three members of the Board of Regents, in an hour long discussion of the program now in practice at Barium to meet the changing needs of children and their families. Attending for the Board were Mr. William C. Thacker, President, Mr. George Williams, Vice-President and Mrs. C. E. Reitzel, Secretary.

At noon the Moderator and his party were honored at a luncheon, with staff and all children present. Dr. Dendy spoke in a most interesting and helpful way to the group. The boys and girls gave a hearty welcome as they gathered

around him following his address.

Upon completing his tour, we were delighted to have a letter from Dr. Dendy; and, we would like to quote a paragraph from his letter dated August 4, 1967. "... It is refreshing and encouraging to know that our people are willing to break with old patterns and to find new ways to minister to people and the needs that exist. I congratulate you and your associates for the courage, wisdom, insight and loving concern for people you are manifesting in the work you are doing at Barium Springs. I could write at length in regard to my feelings; but, I hope you will accept the statement I have made as representing the heartfelt appreciation for the leadership you are offering.

Thank you, Dr. Dendy. We are grateful for your service to the church. Through several distinguished pastorates and more recently as Executive Secretary of the Board of Christian Education, Dr. Dendy is truly one to be honored in our church; and, we thank him so much for all his contributions in the process of helping people to a better life in Jesus Christ and through the church. May God bless you in this most significant year as Moderator of the Presbyterian Church, U. S.

#### RIOTS

Montreat, N. C.—The easy explanation for recent rioting is that somebody — communists or SNCC —is to blame, that it's a matter of law and order, a Newark churchman said here August 8.

The answer is not that simple, Dr. Howard C. Hageman, pastor of Newark's North Reformed Church, told the National Ministries Conference meeting held here August 3-9.

Instead, he cited the "increasing (Continued on Page Two)

#### Alumni News

LaDonna Price of Columbus, Ohio, and Walt Snead were married on August 5. They will live in Charlotte at 4200 Mantle Court, Apartment 8.

Charles Barrett received a promotion on July 6 as Education Director for Adult Education Community Services in the Department of Community Colleges. He succeeds Dr. Monroe C. Neff who resigned to accept the position of Director of Continuing Education for New York State. Charles has been with the State Board as Coordinator of Adult Basic Education in the Division of Adult Education and Community Services for the past two and one half years.

Margaret (Katon) and Bill Everett from Cocoa, Florida visited the campus during vacation.

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Merton Cox and his wife, Marjorie, and two children, Merton III and Pam, were recent visitors on the campus.

The following invitation was received; Mr. and Mrs. William Buffkin Chalk request the honour of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Dorothy Squires. to Mr. Lawton Heath Nisbet on Friday, the fourth of August, Nineteen hundred and sixty-seven, at seven-thiry o'clock, First Methodist Church, Morehead City, North Carolina. Lawton is working in Kinston

Mike Morgan was a recent visitor on the campus.

Cecil Shepherd and his wife and two daughters attended services at Little Joe's Church recently. Cecil is with Raylass Department Store in Salisbury.

Betty Jean (Murdock) Joyner from California and Frosty and Alice Murdock visited Barium re-

Mary Emma (McClure) Garcia, her husband and young son have returned to San Antonio, Texas after a visit with Mary Emma's parents in Statesville.

Mac and Virginia McClure and (Continued on Page 2)

# THINGS WE NEED:

Good Used Typewriters either portable or standard

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# GOOD CHILD CARE



Mrs. Maarefield and her Family Cattoge work ond relax on a warm Summer afternoon.

The two major elements in providing for a child that must live away from its own home are planning and care. The planning starts when the child is first referred to the agency. The study is made by the social service department. It is this part of the agency's staff, along with the administrator, that should plan responsibly for the child.

Let's assume that a good study was made and that the correct decision was to bring the child to the campus of the institution. This is where child care begins. The Director of Campus Life along with houseparents and auxiliary staff try to understand the needs of each individual child and provide the type of care that seems best.

There are many facets of good child care, but this article intends only to speak about grouping of children on the campus. First, let's recognize that we are caring for children in groups. Thus, we have group care. but must not forget that individual children have different needs. We must also remember that while a child lives in an institution it is home for him. While we cannot expect to replace entirely the elements of a good home, we must make it as nearly like a home as we can.

Children live in cottages. They have cottage parents. Sometimes these parents are a couple (man and wife) and sometimes there is only a mother. At present, there are four cottages at Barium staffed with couples. The husband normally works off campus and returns home in the evening as any normal father would do.

Currently we consider twelve children to be the maximum capacity of any cottage. On occasions a lesser number, let's say eight or nine, might be capacity, depending on the needs of the children in that cottage and, also, depending on the experience or strength of the cottage parents.

There are essentially three kinds of grouping used by institutions providing care of the type we give at Barium Springs. First, there is peer age grouping. This means putting boys of the same age or girls of the same age together. Then, there is staggered age grouping; meaning having a cottage of boys

or girls ranging in age from the youngest to the oldest. This would mean at Barium from age six to age eighteen. Lastly, there is what could more nearly be called a family cottage where boys and girls, even though not all brothers and sisters, live together in a cottage.

Some agencies have thought it best to decide on one type of grouping, and thus make all cottages alike. We, at Barium Springs, feel that we can give the best kind of individual care if we are flexible. Therefore, at present, we have all three types of groups. For the first time at Barium, we have a family cottage of boys and girls.

You will see pictured above this latter type of cottage. It is Howard Cottage and the housemother is Mrs. Mary Moorefield. Here, we have three families of children plus one extra girl. In the case of these three families, it was considered remote that they were going to be able to return to the homes of family or relatives. Really, if they are ever going to live together as a family, it must be now. This cottage, then, gives this kind of care.

On the other hand, we have a large number of small boys and girls that need very badly to get a large amount of love from both a father and a mother. Also, while not actually living together as boys and girls in the same cottage, they need to play together and see a great deal of each other. So, we have two cottages located side by side, near a playground area, and staffed by couples, where boys ages six to nine live in one and girls six to nine live in the other.

We also have older teenage boys and girls. They have special needs and want to be a group of their own age. As a result, we have a cottage of older boys and one of older girls. We feel that for some this meets a need much better than in any other grouping.

Lastly, we have five cottages that have staggered ages of boys or girls in a group. Mostly, they range in ages from nine to fifteen; but, there are variances where a younger child or an older one will be in one of these groups.

A reader, by this time, will see (Continued on Page 2)

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

#### SELF-PITY

A number of children on our campus feel sorry for themselves. They think they are the victims of some dark, sinister, injustice. They are certain that life has chosen them to suffer some special deprivation. Because they are the victims of broken homes, they mull through each day cursing everyone and everything for their thankless fate.

Because of their plight we are tempted to feel sorry for them too. For, after all, they are the victims of a sometimes tragic life. They are persons in need, and we are here to help them. While we don't speak it, an almost instinctive reaction is, "Oh, it certainly is too bad for you."

But this is no good. It is the worst approach we could make. Such pity would make them feel that much sorrier for themselves, and they certainly don't need that.

While Jesus was very much concerned with persons, their problems, and their feelings, He hardly ever "felt sorry for anyone." You may recall You may recall incidents in which He showed great tenderness, as in His dealing with the Samaritan woman. You may remember occasions when He shared others' grief, as when He wept at the grave of Lazarus. But I doubt if you can find any incident in which He encouraged any person in any need to feel sorry for himself.

Jesus did not say to blind Bartimeus that he had been the victim of some cruel fate. Jesus did not tell Mary Magdalene that her sexual immorality probably arose out of unfortunate life experiences. Jesus did not suggest to the Gadarene demoniac that he needed sympathy because of his mental torture.

Instead Jesus confronted each of these with the opportunity to start where they were and to do something about their predicament. While our problems may be difficult, living is problem solving, and without our attempt to solve these problems we may have little of real importance

What did He do? First, He suggested that all persons, no matter in what condition, have a tremendous amount to be thankful for. We are alive. We have a world. We have a God.

On one of the folders used in connection with "One Great Hour of Sharing" there is a picture of a little African boy whose clothes hang in tatters over an emaciated and sickly frame. In contrast, we and all our children here are well clothed and fed. They enjoy better physical health than many other boys and girls around them, and certainly they have better medical care and attention. All such needs as these are met abundantly. This is something to be thankful for, not to feel sorry about.

Jesus also acted as if each person must accept His inevitable limita-Jesus healed many persons of their diseases, but He did not go around waving a magic wand, making life perfect for one and all. Jesus was realistic and dealt with persons in a realistic manner. There were certain things which simply could not be changed or altered. Man basically is both finite and sinful, living in a world full of evil. We must work in His Spirit, at His leading, changing and healing, but this limitation still exists in this age. Some things can't be moved or removed.

The one thing all our children do not have is a "normal" home and a "normal" family love. We may give them a substitute home and the love of someone who cares, but we cannot change the fact of their basic lack.

Our children must be encouraged to accept this limitation because it is a basic fact of their existence. They must learn not to feel sorry for themselves because they do not have a home, or because they do not have the same sort of family relations that most children do. This is sad, but this is reality, and it does them no good to feel sorry about this or for us to suggest to them that they have it tough. Rather we must encourage them to face their predicament and accept it.

Finally, Jesus challenged persons to do the best they could with what they had. Jesus did not expect the one talent man to accomplish what the three talent man produced. But He did expect him to come up with something. It didn't do for him to moan his one talent fate and feel sorry that he was underprivileged. Jesus did not encourage him to feel sorry for himself but definitely expected him to be thankful for the one talent, accept the limitation of not having more, and to do something with what he had.

Peter failed Jesus at the trial. When Jesus looked at him across the courtyard, Peter was crushed. He went out and wept bitterly because of his denial. But Jesus never encouraged Peter to feel sorry for himself. Later when He met the disciple by the lake He challenged Peter to get to work in the Kingdom.

None of us can afford to indulge ourselves in the luxury of self-pity. We must quit feeling sorry for ourselves. When occasionally we get bogged down we can come out of our misery by remembering what we have to be thankful for, accepting our limitations, and being the most creative we can with what we have. Then, much to our surprise, we may discover our sorrow turned to joy and our pity to praise.

## `Miss Becky' Honored



Miss Rebekoh Carpenter receiving letter of commendation from Gov. Don Moore. Presenting letter is Not K. Reiney, Execu-

Miss Rebekah Carpenter, whose 33 years of continuous service to children at Barium Springs is almost a record, was honored at annual Homecoming activities on August 13th.

"Miss Becky", as she is affectionately known to close friends and many alumni, came to Barium in For all these years until 1966, she was known to everyone as 'the caseworker'. In 1966 she was promoted to Director of Special Services.

On this day, looking her best and wearing a beautiful corsage, she was presented a lovely silver tea service from the Alumni. Also, given her were two packets of letters - one from alumni of past years and the other from pastors over the Synod who have worked closely with her in helping boys and girls. Finally, there was a letter from Governor Dan Moore, recognizing her years of service to chil-

# Happy Birthday

Mrs. J. B. Johnston celebrated her 88th birthday on August 5 at Providence Nursing Center. A large number of relatives and friends called by to see Mrs. Johnston. Dr. Chalmers G. Davidson, a nephew of Mrs. Johnston, read a poem that he had written to Mrs. Johnston on her 88th birthday. Quote:

'Twas six A.M., one August fifth, in Spartanburg, S. C.

That 'Gentle Annie' ope'd her eyes, this weird old world to see.

She's lived in Alabama, Bar'rum's Orphanage, Lincoln's town,

But now she's back in Mecklenburg where relatives abound.

Her life has been a lesson, in hope and charit'y,

Her lovely face an index of faith for all to see.

The only thing that's missing, in a life entirely good,

Was time out for relaxing, as every Christian should.

We hope the Lord will give her, twelve sum'mers, free from pain,

For then she'll be a hundred and can start to raisin' cain."

#### **ALUMNI NEWS**

(Continued from Page 1) little boy visited Mac's parents, Dr. and Mrs. McClure in Statesville this summer.

Rita Harris Parrott from Raleigh and Eloise Barefoot Ford of Statesville had dinner in the dining room recently.

A son, Allan Bradley Austin, was born to Ernest and Ginny Austin on July 12. Ernest has been transferred from Tulsa to Yardley, Pennsylvania. He is with the United States Department of Health.

Tim Roach, son of Arthur Roach of Mooresville, was taken under care of Presbytery as a candidate for the ministry at the meeting of Concord Presbytery in Salisbury in Tuly.

Linda, oldest daughter of Cleo (Sluder) and David McCrary, graduated from high school, fifth in her class, and has a scholarship to Appalachian State Teachers College

Beverly (Hyde) and Joe Porter from Charlotte visited on the cam-

Charles Donaldson and Tommy Bush have entered the service.

David Flowers is general manager of the Dixon Motor Company in Belmont.

Ronnie Young, son of Jack and Ernestine (Garrett) Young, is an all star baseball player on the White Sox-North Springfield Little League.

Neely Ford from Canton spent a

few days at Barium.

Dwight Reid and his family were here for Homecoming. Dwight has been a lawyer in Mobile, Alabama for the past 17 years after graduating from the University. We are real proud to say that Dwight is a District Judge in Mobile.

Patricia Ruth Cole, daughter of Ed and Sally (Farmer) Cole of Statesville, graduated at the Presbyterian Hospital School of Nursing in Charlotte on August 25. The graduation was held at Ovens Auditorium. There were 72 nurses receiving their diplomas. There were eight honors and awards made; and, we are thrilled that Pat won two of these. She was presented the General Excellence Award which was given by the Hospital and School of Nursing. The selection is made by members of the faculty and nursing staff and is based on scholastic achievement, proficiency in nursing and participation in student activities. She also received the Student Body Award. To qualify for this Award a student must have a pleasing, well-rounded personality, a record of active participation in student affairs and a thorough knowledge of nursing theory and ability to apply it to the total care of the patient. We want to congratulate this grand daughter upon these awards.

Marley Sigmon's picture came out in the Rutherfordton County News with the other members of the coaching team for R-S Central. Marley is line coach and a teacher in Central High.

Donald Blalock has entered Mitchell College; Mike Morgan, Appalachian State Teachers College; David Blalock, East Carolina; and Howard Cox, Atlantic Christian College.

Johnny Shepherd and his wife of Greensboro visited Barium recently.

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#### GOOD CHILD CARE

(Continued from Page 1) what we meant by flexibility in grouping. The groups would necessarily remain the same from year to year. Since our plans are always looking toward short term care, and returning children to their own home as soon as possible, the groups must change to meet the needs of the children in care in any specific year. We would expect with good planning and good casework with families to have about a 20%, possibly sometimes 25%, turnover each year. These new children must be carefully placed in cottages that will provide the best care for them during their

Good child care, then, means a great deal more than providing food, clothing, shelter, education and spiritual training. As important as each of these is to a growing child, they are not nearly enough; and, this is more true for a child that must of necessity live away from his own home for a period in

his life.

#### RIOTS

(Continued from Page One) rigidity" of both left and right, and the isolation of the church from the mounting tension.

"For 15 or 20 years, we watched the ghetto grow in Newark, 150, 000 from the south," he said. "We watched houses deteriorate, schools flounder, and all the time staved in our churches, in isolation, speaking comforting words."

"'Why should we get involved -it's not really our problem,' the general feeling, he said.

So the church flourished, and the city deteriorated, he admitted.

Now that riots have resulted, he said, the first reaction of the church ought to be not anger, but shame. "Where have we been?" is the question I asked myself," he told the conference.

Three heresies, he said, have helped keep the church out of

ghetto problems.

One is, "The church is here to be served," the idea that success is the test, how big the budget is, or how large the congregation and building.

Another, he said, is that "the church must be nice." And that kind of church, he added, can't go around disturbing people. It would scare away clients.'

The third, he explained, is that "the church is here for us, for our own comfort." Obviously, he said, this kind of church just isn't concerned.

The result, he told an audience of some 2,000 Presbyterians, is that "we preach love and justice, but sit by and don't care when men are blasted, when hatred and injustice make their voices heard."

He warned against a reaction of anger, after recent rioting. "Whom God would destroy," he said, "he first makes angry." And he pointed out the increasing identification of the religious right with political and social reaction.



rler greeting old friend, Kenneth Joy-Rolph Joyner and Al Blake look on. ner, os Rolph Joyner and AI BI Dovid Thomos hos other interest.



Joe White, A. J. Potter and Rosy McMillan enjoying conversation as Joe's daughter-in-law looks on.



Scott Poole and Family, Minister for Morning



We all say "Thanks" to Miss Carpenter, who was honored at Homecoming Activities.



Our own Terry Gront octing as Nurse for Broughton baby. Scotty Taylor, Don Blalock and others tell of interesting experiences.



Joe White introducing Mable Flowers Johnson and his son Joe, Jr. and wife.



James Hannon, Lee Jessup smile as Cheek Freeman greets Eleanor Eudy Grissom.



Alumni, children, ond community members gather for morning services; an important part of Homecoming.

# Homecoming

Sunday, August 13th, the campus was bubbling with excitement as many gathered for Homecoming. Registration began at nine o'clock in the fellowship hall, followed by the group gathering at 10:00 o'clock to hear Mr. A. M. Calhoun of Sanford, former High School teacher and Coach, teach the Sunday School lesson. We were happy to see Mrs. Calhoun and Elizabeth who will be a sophomore at East Carolina College this fall. Scott McNair Poole, minister at West Haven Presbyterian Church in New Bern, brought a wonderful message at the eleven o'clock worship service, using as his subject, "The Compassion of Jesus". His wife and children came with him. Pleas Norman, of Statesville, sang so beautifully "The Holy City". A lovely arrangement of white glads, chrysanthemums and red carnations were placed in the sanctuary by the Alumni Association.

The picnic lunch was spread in the air conditioned dining room. The swimming pool was opened in the afternoon and proved to be very popular with the younger ones who came.

The meeting of the Alumni Association was held after lunch. Dr. Reiney, the Executive Director, gave a warm welcome to the alumni and spoke of the program of the Home. The present officers will serve another year—Charlie Sears, President; Walter Beattie, Vice-President; Ed Cole, Secretary and Treasurer.

A number of alumni from out of the State were here. They came from South Carolina, Georgia, Virginia, Alabama, Connecticut, and Maryland. There were many here who had been coming for years— E. H. Smith from China Grove, T. G. McConnell from Newton, Annie

# Chapel Hill Child Care Workshops

Five members of the staff of Barium Springs participated in the 23rd annual "Chapel Hill Workshops" in July, in an effort to further their training in caring for children.

These Workshops, sponsored by the School of Social Work of the University of North Carolina and in cooperation with the Southeastern · Child Care Association, attracted more than 400 persons from 25 states, Canada and Latin America.

The Workshops, started in 1945 by Dr. I. G. Greer, have been led since 1949 by Dr. Alan Keith-Lucas, who came to the United

Bell Williams Dawson from Wade and many others; and, the classes from 1960 - 1966 were well represented. Bradley Jean Manus Salazar from San Antonio, Texas was here the Sunday before and disappointed in not seeing you. By the way, keep us informed as to your address. About twenty-five letters were returned with "left-no address given". We hope all of you enjoyed a cool drink from the water fountains you gave, which were placed at the Church. No one needs to ask now, "Where is the Administration Building?"; as, Joe White brought a sign with the letters ADMINISTRATION BUILD ING-OFFICE (on both sides) cut in the wood and painted in yellow. This was made in the Recreational Department in Winston-Salem of which Joe is the Director. This sign fills a need which we have felt for sometime. The Alumni Association is planning to have some smaller signs made to go in front of the cottages.

The weather was perfect, the campus looking its best, the fellow-ship wonderful. Begin planning now for the second Sunday in August, 1968.

States from Great Britain in 1937. They have become nationally known; but, the majority of participants come from the southeastern part of the United States. They have grown from around 100 in attendance for the first four years to the largest attendance this year of over 400.

## Two Weeks of Training

The Workshops are divided into two one week series; with, the houseparents being in the first group and executives and administrators involved in the second week. The purpose is to focus attention on vital issues confronting child care, planning staffs of the children's homes, sharing information on what is happening in various institutions around the country, and to discuss new ideas and methods. The second week gets into more depth study. This year the subjects ranged from the strengthening of the agency, through employment of personnel, to public relations involvement.

All Workshops are led by a consultant. The consultant leads a group to discuss a specific area of concern, and come out with a written report to be published in the annual book of reports. This year Barium Springs was privileged to furnish two of the consultants. Mr. Earle Frazier, Director of Campus Life led a group of houseparents on the subject, "Discipline". Mr. Nat K. Reiney, Executive Director, led a group of administrators on the subject, "Public Relations — Presenting the Right Image".

There are also outstanding lectures during the week. This year Dr. John G. Milner, Professor of Social Work, University of South-ern California, presented the 1967 Greer Lecture on the subject of "Coming of Age in An Institution". Also, highlights were lectures by Dr. Keith-Lucas and Art-hur E. Fisk, former Dean of the School of Social Work. In addition, there were panels, problem clinics and special groups that dealt with such problems as sex education, the emotionally disturbed child, discipline, teenagers and group living.

In his closing remarks Dr. Keith-Lucas reminded everyone that, "Good planning and good child care are parallel and support each other; and, there must be a balance between the two. Such programs must be well organized, provide a broad base of services and be well supported."

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By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

# "I, YET NOT I"

An important, if not major peril for sincere Christians is perfectionism. That is, dedicated persons want so much to do what is right, good, and proper that they try too hard. They strain without realizing that the word "perfect" means a "rounding out, completion, fullness, or fulfillment," and that perfection is only an ideal for this life.

Because of earlier moralistic or legalistic training, such persons decide on a list of do's and an order of don'ts. They may become rigid in a race against the devil. In effect, they try to get ahead of the work of God's grace in them. Before they realize what has happened to them, they have either tied themselves up in knots and are walking bundles of irritability, or else they become hypocrites and deceive no one but them-

Apparently, the biggest problem of the sincere Christian is what to do with his "I". He has heard persons speak of surrendering the life to Christ, but it seems that everytime he tries his ego gets in the way. He sometimes is advised that when the ego asserts itself or a problem of negative feelings toward someone arises that he should "crucify" himself and yield to the Lord. For the most part this is rather ambiguous advice.

Recently I was talking with a very sincere Christian. He is a fine man and very dedicated to making his life complete in Christ and his home a house of God. He and his wife had always worked together. However, when she was elected to some position of leadership in the Church and he was left out he felt both hurt and angry. Unfortunately, he had always been taught it was wrong to feel negatively. Finally, however, he did mention his problem to someone and was advised that he should crucify his feelings and surrender himself to the Lord. The "counselor" in effect told him to commit spiritual suicide.

Later he talked with someone else and this time was encouraged to express his real feelings, which though negative and sinful, were really a positive expression of the way he felt. This true confession brought a real release. He could be both a saint and a sinner at the same time, and as a matter of fact, after this experience he was able to turn over the problem to God more completely.

J. B. Phillips is one of the more outstanding translators of the Scriptures. Recently he revealed that he went through a very deep and dark night of the soul. Apparently, this depression was brought on by a conflict between his awareness of himself as the J. B. Phillips, outstanding Christian leader, and Jack Phillips, the plain mortal, somewhat sinful man he knew himself to be. Who was he then. J. B. or Jack? I don't know all the details of his personal struggle, but he seemed to come out of his dark night when he faced up to both his egotistic "I" and his humble self in terms of seeing that he was both J. B. and Jack.

Recently I attended a Faith At Work Conference at Montreat, N. C. The conference had been planned for Presbyterian ministers and laymen from the Carolinas but there were other persons present. The format of the conference was emphasis upon small group interaction, and opportunity to witness or "testify" in open meetings.

In my small group there was a middle-aged man who seemed to be having some trouble being a minister. Part of his difficulty, he said, be having some trouble being a minister. Part of his difficulty, he said, was that he didn't like ministers, even though he was one himself. He appeared to be a "successful" clergyman. However, he felt that he was a manipulator of persons for his own ends. One would sense that he did not want to be this way. What I "heard" him say was that he was having trouble with himself because he wanted to be a good Christian and servant of Christ, but that he and other ministers were using persons for their own ego satisfaction and needs for success.

As he talked I thought of something I had recently read. Somewhere Alex Lomen says emotional health represents the strength to resolve a polar situation. In plain English this means to be emotionally healthy one must tolerate "being in two places at once." I suggested this "word" to him. It meant nothing to anyone else, but he caught it. Spiritually, his solution lay in his ability to tolerate his need for ego satisfaction and his desire to be a selfless, serving Christian. No doubt he talked this over privately with the leader. That night at the open meeting this minister gave a testimony in an original song which expressed his inability to be perfect or to be what he thought God wanted him to be. It was only after he had finished the song and sat down that he realized he had resolved his conflict in terms of polarity, that is the ability "to be in two places at one time.

What I have been saying has been expressed in different ways in Church history. The Apostle Paul spoke of being saved by faith and sanctified by grace. The reformers took up this theme and repeated over and over that we are justified by faith and not by words. We are saved sinners; never perfect in this world.

We stand in a polar position between our pride, the big "I", and our need and desire to surrender to Christ. There is no complete resolution of this conflict now, there is only the acceptance of justification by faith. Insight into this frees and liberates us, keeps us human. and permits the Holy Spirit to work through and in our polar situation.

# ANNUAL **THANKSGIVING OFFERING**

Thanksgiving is one season in the year set aside by the Presbyterian Church, Synod of North Carolina, for individuals and Churches to remember the large number of children being cared for by our Church with a special

Materials, describing in brief our program of child and family care, have been put in your hands. Also, offering envelopes are being distributed through your local church.

Family incomes continue on an increase. We need to be sure that our giving is in keeping with the way in which our Lord has prospered us. Our expenses at Barium continue to increase, as do yours. A good Thanksgiving offering would help us to meet the needs of these children.

There are many individuals who have been especially blessed during the year and who should remember the benevolent work of the Church with special personal gifts. So often it is other causes than the church, such as our secular charities, that get big checks at the end of the year. While we should support many worthy community causes, it would seem that if we were putting FIRST THINGS FIRST that we would first check to see how we stand in support of Presbyterian Church, U. S. programs.

Let's give proportionately to our Assembly, Synod, Presbytery and local Church benevolences before we go outside to non-budgeted and secular

More and more families come to us for help. Your year-end personal gift to the work of Barium Springs Home for Children will enable us to serve more and render a better quality service to those in our care. WE NEED YOUR HELP.

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# Holidays Ahead

Even though Christmas is two months away, those like us with such a large family must make plans well in advance.

As in past years, various groups and individuals in the church will provide Christmas gifts for the boys and girls at Barium. We are always most pleased when a new group or individual wants to share in this most pleasant experience. If these are your thoughts, why not write to Miss Rebekah Carpenter at Barium Springs and let her tell you how you can be a part of it.

All children will spend Christmas with their families. It's possible a few may need a family to visit other than their own. You can write to us if you would like to have a child for a week at Christmas. In case we need your help, we could then call on you.

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# Food Production

A few years ago the Board of Regents made some very wise decisions about the use of the farm at Barium Springs. At that time there was a long history of a sizeable farm operation; including—a dairy, a chicken farm, large grain production and other crops. However, farming, like all businesses, was becoming more competitive and certain areas were very unprofitable. Today, the farm has geared itself to primarily three important programs—(1) food production—(2) orchard—(3) growth of timber.

As of now, we have about 40 acres of apple, peach, and grape orchards. The vineyard is the newest; but, the apple orchard is continually being improved and expanded. All land not used for food production, and not in orchard or campus, is being set in pine and poplar seedlings.

Food production really looms large, as it provides help in meeting one of our largest budget items. About 150 acres are devoted to pasture for our expanding beef herd; and, another 10 acres are in swine pens. Through beef cattle and hog production, we are now providing about all of our meat requirements with the exception of chickens and turkeys. The latter two items can be purchased at a lower cost than they can be grown.

Add to the advantage of producing most of the meat, would come next the need for good vegetables. About 25 acres are allocated for vegetable gardening. During the summer months, we have all the fresh vegetables we can eat. Then, from the surplus, we have our extensive freezing program. This year we have frozen over 1600 gallons of beans, peas, squash, corn, okra and peaches. Also, in the freezer are more than 2000 ears of corn on the cob. In the storage bins are 200 bushels of irish potatoes and a year's supply of sweet potatoes.

From the orchard comes a year's supply of apples, thanks to refrigerated storage. Also, from the apples we make and keep all the apple sauce we can use. Fresh

# MANY WAIT FOR YOU—THE CHURCH—TO HELP LEND A HAND

This is a fallen world. These are days of stress and strain. There is much to be done. Sickness of body and mind is all about us. The world so full of sin cries out for help. The home, basic unit of society, is disintegrating. People are in need for a multiplicity of reasons.

Where is the Church? The Church is a body seeking to witness to an overwhelming truth, yet so often it has permitted this truth to escape it or has failed to recognize its relevance to the world. It is so surprising then that the welfare of people has grown away from the Church?

It would seem that in these crisis days that there should come to each of us as Church members the challenge to really witness to what the gospel means. It is time for each of us to regain a Christian perspective to relate what is happening today to its ultimate conviction, to show once again that the amazing gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ has relevance to the problem of human need.

Your Presbyterian Child Care Program has been willing to center its interest entirely on the persons in need and thus privileged to serve. We struggle with real things, real sorrow, real hate, real sin and real despair. In so doing we have a strong belief that man can be helped, for love bears and endures all things. Each person is seen as an individual and with much humility and self-discipline we minister in the Name of Christ and His Church.

In the tenth chapter of John's Gospel, Jesus said, "I am the Good Shepherd, I came that they might have life and have it more abundantly." At this Thanksgiving season, when we count our blessings, let's remember those in real need. This organized Child and Family Care Program, a real part of our Church, needs your financial help. Give as God has prospered you. A "Special Offering" envelope is provided for this purpose.

peaches are enjoyed by all in season, and frozen for year round use.

The farm sets aside enough acreage for growing sufficient feed for cattle and hogs. This year ample corn, barley and hay has been harvested and stored for all livestock.

This operation is in the good hands of Mr. Frank Nance our farm manager. He is capably assisted by a good staff of helpers. Mr. Woodrow Clendenin supervises the orchard; and, the freezing is handled at the kitchen by Mrs. Ike White and Mrs. Frank Nance along with their assistants.

A vital part in this work program is played by the boys and girls. Certain groups have their work assignments on the farm and at the kitchen. They very capably assist the adults in all the planting, harvesting and preserving of food.

We hope that some of the pictures shown will illustrate what we have been saying. You may be sure we intend to eat well.

# Alumni News

Carl Spicer, his wife and two children visited Barium. They are living in Pennsylvania.

Jake Beattie from Charlotte was a visitor on campus recently.

Born to Audrey (Waters) and James Genusa, a son, Christopher Frank, in Iredell Memorial hospital in Statesville on September 7th. Audrey and Jim moved to a new home in Statesville a few months ago.

Linda Byrd is out of the Service and after visiting relatives in Fayetteville is working in an office in Orlando, Florida.

The Rev. John Carriker attend-

ed the annual meeting of the Men of Concord Presbytery at Barium Springs on Tuesday night, September 26.

ber 26.
William Allen, from Roxboro, made a short visit to Barium recently.

Larry Wilkins was recently promoted to Corporal in the Marine Corps.

A son, Jeffrey Guy, was born to Patsy (Porter) and Harry Loftin of Troutman on September 20, 1967.



Pictured above are some of the many operations on our farm, truck farm and orchard.

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# GREAT NEWS FOR OLDER BOYS AND GIRLS

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COTTAGE GROUP WITH HOUSEPARENTS

# NEW HOMES IN CHARLOTTE AND CONCORD OPENED SEPTEMBER 1st

The comprehensive article "Dimensions in Child Care" published in the January, 1967 issue of the Barium Messenger spoke of the expanding needs of children. You may want to dig out this copy and reread it. We also have reprints available. Among other services discussed in this article was the vital area of need for small group homes. We quote:

"There are many children who have a special need that cannot be adequately met in the more traditional services. Recently a new service called "Small Group Homes" has been added as another resource. It is a home in the community where six or eight children are kept. It is staffed by a couple and receives the usual casework service and administration required by any good program. In a sense, it is a half-way house. That is, it's half way between a normal home and a larger congregate institution. More personal attention can be given the child; he can be more community related and in other ways is enabled to grow up more independently. A wide variety of needs can be met, but special care must be exercised in determining

the basic purpose for each group and the treatment needed by the children who will be living there. It is still a form of group care but more specialized"

more specialized."

The Long Range Planning Committee of the Board of Regents is constantly studying the needs of all the children in our care. In a meeting of this Committee about one year ago it was found that there were a number of older boys and girls living at Barium who might profit from a small group home ex-perience. Two things in particular stood out about this group of young people. In the first place, it did not seem likely that any of them would be able to return to live with their own family and that they would need to have a continuing group care experience. Secondly, they all needed to obtain some vocational training which was not available to them if they continued to live at Barium.

The result of this planning led the Administration to explore the possibilities of setting up a small residential home for boys and one for girls. It was found that we had about the right number of age fourteen to seventeen young people who desperately needed this new service. An initial survey was made of surrounding territory in a 50 mile radius of Barium and the conclusion was that there were several communities who could provide both physical and educational facilities in keeping with the purposes. The next step was to see if supervisory staff to carry on such a program could be found.

In March of this year we announced the employment of Mr. Meredith White, a trained and experienced child care worker to come to Barium and become Supervisor of Group Homes. Under his direction a more thorough study of location was made. Conclusion was reached that Concord, N. C. was the best place for a Home for boys and that Charlotte was the place for the Girl's Home. After much searching with the help of Real Estate Agents and other people in the communities, we settled on a suitable home for each. We leased a five bedroom brick home in Concord and purchased a similar one in Charlotte. For your information the Charlotte address is 1700 Merry Oaks Drive and in Concord—312 South Union Street.

In late August of this year we were busy cleaning, painting and

furnishing these two new homes. Can you remember when you started from scratch and furnished your home? From rolling pin to living room furniture, there are a lot of items needed. But in early September both of them were ready for occupancy.

In the meantime while all these physical preparations were going on a couple (man & wife) had to to be found who would become substitute parents to the two groups. Ads were run in newspapers and word was put out through churches and by word of mouth through friends and contacts. A goodly number of couples applied. After careful selection, Mr. and

Mrs. Melvin Bradley were employed to be the parents of the girls. Mrs. Bradley will give full time while Mr. Bradley continues his work as an engineer with WSOC-TV, Charlotte. For the boys we secured the services of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Fitts, Jr. Here again Mrs. Fitts will give full time as Mr. Fitts continues his work in the purchasing office of Duke Power Company.

These young people are now settled in their new communities. In Charlotte the girls attend Eastway Junior High and Garinger Senior High Schools. They worship at Plaza Presbyterian Church: In Con-(Continued on Page. 2)

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By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

# ADOLESCENCE

Someone has defined adolescence as a "period of temporary insanity" at which remark a woman heaved a sigh of relief and said, "Thank God, I thought it was permanent".

The English word comes from the Latin, ad-alescere, meaning to grow. Adolescence then, is a period of growth anywhere between eleven and twenty-five, but more often thought of as the "teen years".

While puberty belongs to all people and civilizations, adolescence as we think of it is not universal. There are tribes where a boy passes from childhood into adulthood through a relatively short initiation rite. And it is only within the last hundred or so years in our own country that most persons have had the opportunity to be adolescents. In earlier times a man received little if any formal education, and, as soon as he was able, he began to work, found a wife, and started a family. Adolescence, as such, was brief.

Today, however, the situation is different. The period between puberty and the onset of adult responsibility is longer. Because of medical prolongation of life, scientific revolution, educational opportunities, and affluence—just to mention a few factors, the force and reality of a new adolescence and millions of adolescents are thrust upon a bewildered

Statistics show that high school enrollment will increase thirty percent in the next decade. In 1974, 16,300,330 children will be in secondary schools. In 1985 two out of five Americans will be less than eighteen years of age. Everywhere we look, it seems, we see teenagers or adolescents, and the "more mature" are mostly afraid, if not just plain terrified.

It is not my purpose to trace the hows and whys of the present predicament, although this in itself is an interesting analysis. The real question is what are we going to do with them? Where do we go from here? Somehow or another they have already gotten the upper hand, and they soon will outnumber us.

First, may I say I don't go along with the opinion of Cornelia Otis Skinner's father who remarked that adolescence is a time when children should be put in a barrel and fed through a bung hole, although this may be a possibility worth considering if everything else fails. The solution seems to be in understanding what adolescence really means and then dealing with adolescents as Christian adults.

Edgar Z. Friedenberg in The Vanishing Adolescent defines adolescence as conflict. Without necessarily agreeing with all his conclusions, his observation that adolescence is a prolonged conflict between youth and society seems valid and one that demands our attention. Very simply, forgetting what else has been said, we may define adolescence as the conflict between an individual and his culture. In growing up, in order to become a person, a teenager must rebel against his authorities—parents, teachers, ministers, and anything and everyone that tends to keep him a child or dependent person. In order to become someone, that is, to have his own identity, he must rebel.

It certainly is not difficult to observe the many different ways that teenagers rebel. Today they assert themselves in the way they dress and cut their hair. They refuse to be polite and rarely show any respect to their elders. They have access to automobiles and use them like the potential lethal weapons they are. They have discovered drugs and alcohol, and perhaps most threatening to some, they demand opportunity for sexual exploration and expression.

The nature and the meaning of the rebellion certainly deserves our careful attention, but space does not permit our following this line. At this point we can only emphasize that not only is rebellion necessary, but that it is a part of growing up, and even if we want to, we cannot squash it: If the conflict is not out in the open, then it is hidden underground where it is even more dangerous.

However, lest you think I have gone over to the "enemy", (They wouldn't have me, for 'who can trust anyone over thirty'.) let me assure you that there is something else to be said.

It is very difficult to rebel against someone who won't fight, and the problem with many teenagers today is that their parents won't wrestle with them because they belive that any resistance to a child's demands will distort or hurt his personality. Such misguided souls may be concerned, but they are really misled.

Just as the nature of adolescence is rebellion to establish self identity, so the nature of parenthood is authority to establish boundaries in which and against which rebellion may take place. While the adolescent must fight, it does not necessarily follow that he must win.

Other parents are not misled, they are merely unwilling to assume the responsibility of adult leadership, and as the easy way out give into whatever junior demands. Because they have been deluded by the mass media of modern advertising propaganda they are too busy trying to recapture their own adolescence. Unfortunately they have forgotten the pain of the teen age conflict and remember only the pleasures and vitalities of once being young.

It is essential that a child rebel in order to grow up, but it is more essential that he rebel in well defined and consistent boundaries that protect him from himself. While he may feel like Jack the Giant Killer today, tomorrow he may want to be mamma's little boy. He needs the safety and protection of outer limits so that he can develop internal controls. He must have the assurance that the authorities he mocks love him

# Support, Substitute Or Supplement – That Is The Question?

Many parents need services geared to support their ability to meet the needs of their children. These usually take the form of counseling on behalf of children, protective services to children when requested by someone other than parents, and services to infants as well as to unmarried mothers in solving problems relating to parenthood.

Then, there are services to care for children away from their own home. We think of these as substitute services because there must always be substitute parents to take over the care in place of the natural parents. Here we find foster family care, group homes, and children's institutions. For Barium this kind of care has been traditional and at this time, of course, represents most of the services offered.

Supplemental care is where an agency gives a service to a child to compensate for certain inadequacies or limitations in parental care. Here we find such services as homemaker service or day care service. We like to call it Mother's Aid. Such a service can be given in day care away from the child's home or at its own home. In most instances it helps a mother or a father to be a good part-time parent. In these cases the one parent family cannot work and make a living and at the same time either physically or economically provide the care their children need. Usually, also, in these families we are giving services to some pre-school

One excellent way to provide supplemental care or Mother's Aid is to provide a substitute parent to stay in the home during daytime hours to care for pre-school children and/or be there when older children get home from school. Such a person would be aiding the mother by maintaining the household and taking care of children while mother works.

This is also a new kind of care now being provided by Barium Springs. It is limited to Presbyterian families or families which a local Presbyterian Church is helping and finds that they cannot carry the full load. It is one of the

enough to keep him from destroying himself through his rebellion.

Many persons in today's Church have compromised their responsibility to God and to adolescents because they have been fooled into thinking they have to "get with them" in order to win them. However, I recall a retired army colonel say as a school teacher, "Teenage boys don't want forty-year-old buddies. What they need is a friend to speak with au-

For the most part, modern youth doesn't consider the Church even though the Church wants to be relevant to teenagers. The reason, I believe, is the Church has tried to make the Gospel attractive in the wrong way. Granted that we have much to learn from the social sciences and comtemporary research in personality, what the Christian Church has to offer today is what it always has had to say to youth. The message is not a watered down ethics, but a Gospel of law and grace. A law which sets very firmly the authority of an omnipotent God against whom adolescents can rebel all day or all their lives, yet one whom they cannot overthrow. It also offers a Gospel of grace—salvation in Jesus Christ who can take all the hostility they can give, yet still love them. If they can accept this love then they can voluntarily surrender to His way of life and no longer need to rebel.—Try it and see! For the most part this is the only kind of Church news that adolescents heed and some that are challenged this way respond.

Adolescence is conflict with adults, society, and God. Authority is their "enemy". But we must not minimize adult authority. Instead, we must remember that much authority carries both the safety and security as well as the bulwarks against which the teenager may rebel in his conflict as he grows into responsible adulthood.

finest kinds of services rendered because it lets the parent hold most of the responsibility for their children and keep children in their own home.

Naturally, there is a limit on how many families the budget will allow us to serve who have this need for supplemental or Mother's Aid. We would, however, like to encourage ministers and church members to refer families to us where you feel such help is needed. We would make a careful study of the situation and if deemed wise provide the service.

Our most recent family to help in this program was a negro family where a mother was working and trying to provide for seven children, four in school and three at home. Now a daytime substitute mother paid by Barium Springs and under casework service provided by the social service staff enables these children to stay at home, off welfare, and maintain the dignity of a mother who loves her children and wants to give them proper care. In this case Barium took over for a Presbyterian Church when they had reached the limit of their re-

# Happenings Around The Campus

Members of the auxiliary staff continue to meet one hour each Monday for training. These sessions are being led by Mr. Earle Frazier, Director of Campus Life. This is a further effort to help all members of our staff to understand the needs of children in our care and at the same time to become better prepared to respond to these

Smaller boys and girls enjoyed the fun of 'trick or treat' on Halloween. Such funny faces and garbs you've never seen.

From seven to eight-thirty on Halloween night everyone, both young and old, gathered at the gym for a real evening of merriment. There was plenty of cider and cookies. Of course, the usual apple bobbing, bingo and other side

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shows were very much in evidence.

We are proud of our football boys. This year Billy Ellis, Mike Walden, Mark McDonald, James Beaver and Robert Beaver have given a good account of themselves. Robert suffered a broken bone in his leg but is coming along nicely.

#### NEW HOMES IN

(Continued from Page 1) cord the boys attend Concord Junior and Senior High Schools and worship at First Presbyterian Church.

Pictured here on this page are the two residences along with the substitute parents, each with their group of boys and girls. You must agree that they are fine looking young people. Barium Springs is very privileged as it ministers in the name of the Presbyterian Church to provide this type of quality care.

We should conclude by saying that as other needs arise where boys and girls can be given a better type of care, it shall be the policy of Barium Springs to make good studies of the needs and try to meet them. The Home at Barium Springs remains near capacity all the time since so many more children are requiring care away from their own homes. All such specialized programs away from the main campus will simply be extensions of Barium Springs Home and not in any way replace the fine quality care which made possible for so many children here.

# Alumni News

A son, Courtney Scot, was born to Scottie and Donnie Mitchell of Asheboro on August 31st. Scottie and Donnie have two other boys. They live at 142 South High Street, Asheboro.

Lee Spencer attended the meeting of Men of Concord Presbytery which met at Barium in September. Lee is an officer in Oakland Presbyterian Church in Statesville.

Dan McLauren and his wife have a little girl a year and a half old. Dan is in the service and has his home in Fayetteville.

Ricky and Patsy (Woodard) Broadman visited on the campus recently. Ricky is in the service. They are living near Raeford.

Major James D. Everett has mov-

ed to California from Florida. His address is 1109 Cypress Street. Vandenberg AFB, California 93437.

Douglas Ryder and his wife Ceil visited on the campus. Douglas has been in service for 20 years. They live in El Paso, Texas. They were on vacation and visited in Durham and Florida.

Paul Barnes, adult advisor of young people in Brentwood Pres-byterian Church, High Point, brought his young people for a visit to Barium recently.

Richard Vest and his wife spent a Sunday at Barium this month. They are living in Hamlet. We were sorry to hear of the death of Charles. He spent a short time at

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- Furnish a Bible to all new children.
- Add items of interest to Home's Manger Scene.
- Furnish table and floor lamps for cottages.
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# Merry Christmas



There's a song in the air! There's a star in the sky!
There's a Mother's deep prayer and a baby's low cry!
And the star rains its fire while the beautiful sing,
For the Manger of Bethlehem cradles a King!

Best Wishes from the entire Barium Home Family.

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

# THE STRANGER

A slow drizzle had dampened the Yuletide spirit all day. Now as the December dusk deepened among the trees, the rain seemed on the verge of turning to sleet or snow. Street lights flickered on and chased silver beams up wet, freezing roads, pausing to pick up comfortable suburban houses here and there before fading into the empty night.

Out of the darkness appeared a stranger. At first he seemed only a shadow among the dancing shrubs and branches, but as he walked beneath the lighted corner he looked solid and very real. His stride was easy. He held his head high. His eyes were serene, and the line of his face was clear.

The light from the window of a near-by house seemed to reach across the freezing pavement and draw his feet to the front door. In a moment he was up the walk.

As he stood before the frost-glazed window he saw a couple of young children playing on the floor between their parents. It was a comfortable scene: fire on the gas logs, gifts piled around the Christmas tree, food and snacks on the table, and the mother softly humming "White Christmas' with the television choir.

"John," said the rather weary mother, "Isn't it wonderful we have so much—a home, a family, about all we need. I love to sit here on Christmas Eve and know we're warm and safe."

"Hmnnnn," was all the father could say with teeth clenched on a half smoked pipe. Then, knocking out the ashes he remarked, "Yes, it's good we're finally getting somewhere. I've had to work pretty hard, but all we own I've earned with my own hands." Repacking his pipe he thought out loud, "Of course that real estate deal I pulled helped a little." He laughed a little.

The mother looked uncertainly toward her husband. Her face clouded momentarily, but then slowly brightened as she looked down at her two children, a six year old girl and a four year old boy. They were playing together for a change! "Little angels aren't they?" suggested the wife. "Of course, their halos get dingy once in a while. Look at them—so

"Don't guess that has anything to do with what day it is, does it?" smiled the husband.

The mother laughed and settled back in her chair to think of Christmas years before. Family, friends, festivities—good times—all ran through her mind. However, her reverie was broken as she seemed to become aware of something. Perhaps it was only the television. Maybe it was the wind in the pines, or the sleet along the roof, or only her imagination. But some sort of "sound" began softly, then grew louder until the panes of glass in fogged windows began to rattle.

She sat up. "Someone is at the door."

"Nonsense, you're hearing things."

Silence

"I tell you there is someone at the door. Better go see who is there." "Be quiet and maybe we won't be bothered. After all this is Christmas Eve. No one in his right mind would be out at this time of night, anyway.

A sharp knock broke the tension.

"Hang it all," said the father, dropping his pipe, as he rose from the comfortable chair.

The mother watched him trudge toward the door as she quieted the curious young boy. "No, dear, it isn't Santa Claus. Now, go on with your playing.

The father fumbled with the knob, opened the door with a jerk, and came face to face with the stranger. "Well, what do you want? Don't you know it's late. Too late for you to be out. Well, don't just stand there. Say something.

"I thought you would help me," he finally said rather mysteriously.

"Help you? Help you with what? Sorry, I haven't time tonight. Anyway, my wife and children are in there and we are celebrating Christmas Eve. Tomorrow is Christmas, you know.'

"Yes, I know," he barely managed to say as the door slammed in his face.

The little girl looked up at her mother who said nothing. "Who was it, Daddy?" blurted out the young girl as her father stalked back to his

"Oh, I don't know. He didn't say. There's no excuse for a man not being able to take care of himself these days. Told him to be on his way. Now, forget it.'

Suddenly the little girl bolted to the door and pulled it open. "Come

back here. What are you doing?" cried the father angrily.

As the door opened again, the mother heard the same sound, more distant now. "What haunting refrain is that?" she asked herself.

Standing on the cold steps the child looked out and saw the stranger

motionless on the walk. He seemed sad, sort of tired, as he turned and looked back at the youngster. She said nothing, but uncertainly raised her hand to wave.

Slowly, he returned her wave. In a moment he was himself again. He straightened up and seemed to smile. Before half a dozen strides he walked into the night, and all that remained of his presence were fading footprints in the newly falling snow.

The child softly closed the door.

# BOARD MEETING

The regular semi-annual meeting of the Board of Regents was held on Wednesday and Thursday, November 15 and 16. Eighteen Regents were present.

The first day was set aside for Committee meetings, including a special meeting of the Long Range Planning Committee. This latter Committee discussed and made evaluations of a self-study conducted by the agency of the present population of children in care.

On Thursday, the 16th, the Board heard reports from all the committees and acted upon recom-

# Campus Action

Thanksgiving day was not as elaborate as in some past years. About two-thirds of the children were away for the weekend. A special service was held at Little Joe's Church on the night before. Children enjoyed a big Thanksgiving turkey dinner with all the trimmings and an afternoon and evening of planned recreation.

The annual Davidson College visit, arranged by the Inter-Fraternity Council, was enjoyed by the first five grades. They went at five o'clock in the afternoon, stayed through supper and then had a ball at the fraternity parties for them that followed. Thanks again to the fine group of boys who plan and execute this party for our younger children.

Another annual affair, enjoyed by our older boys in particular, is the Shrine Bowl in Charlotte. This gala event this year was on Saturday, December 2nd. It really is more than a football game. They go fairly early on Saturday and are guests of the Shrine not only for the game but for both lunch and dinner. The fellowship with the Shriners is wonderful and a good day is always enjoved.

This year our Senior High Fellowship took on a new project at Christmas. They were hosts at Little Joe's Church to the retarded children of the Iredell Rehabilitation Center.

All grades one through five were treated to the showing of "Wonderful World of Fantasy", sponsored by the American Legion Post in Statesville. Thanks to our friends, the Legionnaires.

Even though we hope our message on the front page conveys our best wishes to all of our friends for a Happy Holiday Season, we do want to express a special thanks to so many who make our life at

Barium so pleasant. We wish it were possible to thank each one in person. Letters have been written in all cases; but, if we have overlooked anyone, it was by mistake. Many, many thanks to all of you.

mendations. Several significant actions were taken: (1) A retirement plan for all employees was voted effective January 1, 1968. It will be under contract with the Employees Annuity Fund of the Board of Annuities and Relief of the Assembly (2) An action was taken to provide a 60 ft. right-of-way down U.S. Highway 21 which divides the campus. Under such an arrangement the fence would be moved back from the road and a nice wide grassy shoulder completed to the fence. (3) A plan was voted to make a study of the needs of children as seen by our Presbyterian ministers.

The budget and finance committee presented the annual audited report for the fiscal year closing September 30, 1967. 'The "Home" was able to live within its bduget even though much expansion of program had taken place during the year.

At noon on Thursday the members of the Board were guests of the staff for lunch. This was the first time the Board had the opportunity to meet the entire staff at one time. During the day some new staff people were introduced.

Final action of the Board was to elect new officials to take office at the spring meeting. They are: Mr. William C. Thacker, President; Mr. George Williams, Jr., Vice-President, Mrs. John Nance, Secretary; Mr. Shepherd Speight, Jr., Treasurer. Date of the spring meeting was set for April 17-18, 1968.

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# **Christmas Vacation**

Again this year all children will be spending Christmas off the campus. Most will be with their own parents or relatives, but a few will go to friends of the Home. We are most pleased that each of them can enjoy the pleasures and experience of this Holy Season around the fireside of a normal home setting.

The Home will close on December 22nd and re-open again on January 1st. All children will leave on the 22nd and return on the 1st. This means also that child-care staff will get a much needed rest at midyear and also be able to spend the holidays with their own families.

The Christmas program at Little Joe's Presbyterian Church will be held on Thursday night, December 21st. Christmas trees will be put up and enjoyed before leaving, but gifts from churches and friends to the children will not be distributed until the night of their return to the campus.

Again this year a live Manger scene will be on the church grounds, facing U. S. Highway 21. Some new features have been added this year.

School begins this year on January 2nd; so, back to school we will go, thankful for a God who loves us and for a Savior who gave his life for our sake.

# WANT A REWARDING PROJECT?

- Clothe a child.
- Provide spending allowance for a child.
- Send a child to church camp.
- Provide curtains for children's rooms.
- Furnish bathroom sets for a cottage.
- Provide pictures for children's rooms.
- Send daily paper or magazines to cottages.
- Furnish rugs for a cottage.
- Make curtains for bedrooms.
- Give a college scholarship. 10.
- Help pay for remedial education.
- Help support a child in his own home.
- Buy glasses for a needy child.
- Furnish practice typewriter.
- Add items of interest to Home's Manger Scene.
- Furnish table and floor lamps for cottages.
- 17. Help supply luggage for children.

Write: MISS REBEKAH CARPENTER

# BARIUM SPRINGS HOME FOR CHILDREN

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Remember Barium Springs at Christmas.

Remember Barium Springs with year end Gifts.

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Remember Barium Springs with Memorials.

Remember Barium Springs when planning Special Projects.

# Alumni News

Linda Helms, daughter of Charles C. and Mary Parks (Allen) Helms of 2031 Bay Street, Charlotte, was married on December 17 to Richard Sylvester Benzie, III.

After spending five months working in New York, Al Blake has moved to Charlotte and is working there.

Joey Vecchio from Fayetteville spent the weekend at Barium.

Kay (Brewer) and Darrell Painter and their son and Jerry Brewer visited Barium recently (Sunday worship and dinner).

Larry Wilkins spent part of his leave at Barium. He has just returned from Viet Nam and is stationed at Camp Lejeune.

Jerry Young and his wife Evelyn came for worship at the church and had dinner in the dining room with their group of young people from Back Creek Presbyterian Church. They are adult advisors for this group.

Earl Adams and his family visited Barium recently. They have moved to Charlotte.

Jeanette Grier was married in the chapel at Central Steel Creek Church in Charlotte to Dexter J. Thomas on December 2.

Martha Adams (Mrs. D. B. Adams) of Charlotte wrote recently of the death of Mary's husband. He had been sick for some time.

John Bullard Aldrich is in Viet Nam.

Recently a number of alumni had a wonderful evening together at the home of Dona and Tom Clark in Raleigh. Among those there were A. G. Norris and his wife, Paul McKenzie and his family, Mary Moore Radcliffe and Margaret Moore Williams and her husband, Helen and Glenn Coble, Charles Barrett, Marguerite Wicker Turner, Margaret Pittman Hamilton and her husband, Miriam Sanders and Becky Carpenter.

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# Thanks..

For days before Christmas the eyes had an extra twinkle, the laugh a little more merry, the steps and skips swifter and there was an expectancy everywhere.

Beginning with Thanksgiving came the delicious homemade cakes from Blacknall Memorial Church in Durham.

Correspendence became heavier as the question came, "What can we do?" Letters that the boys and girls wrote suggesting some of the things they would like to have were sent all over the state in response to requests. Soon the lovely packages began arriving by mail, by hand, by motor express. Much thought had gone into the purchasing and wrapping of each gift.

Money came in for special cottages with which electric grills for hot cakes for breakfast, toasters, etc. were bought. Some received popcorn poppers and record players.

Women from the First Church in Hickory brought wonderful homemade cakes for the Christmas dinner.

We are going to have to buy an additional deep freeze to take care of all the fish that will be caught with the new rods and reels. Paul has a microscope that would top anything. If you want a lesson in science, he can give it to you. We have all enjoyed seeing the lovely bright colors in the new sweaters, skirts, coats, slacks, shirts and pants. They give us a warmth of spring in this cold weather. Each cottage was beautifully decorated and had a lovely lighted tree. Open House was enjoyed at one of the cottages. Many of the boys and girls in senior high participated in the Manger Scene on the lawn at Little Joe's Church. The Pageant presented by the Young People, with the Junior and Cherub Choirs looking like little angels, was very impressive.

The party given by the Davidson Fraternities was as usual one of the high lights for the young children. The boys and girls looked forward to Mr. Robert Stowe, of Belmont, coming for his annual program and treats, and Mr. Dixon showing Christmas films. We appreciate the gifts of movie tickets, money for the Christmas fund and many gifrs that could be used where needed. Let us thank those who came and brought boxes or sent them. We note particularly — Jonesbord Heights Presbyterian Church, New

I BELIEVE IN CHILDREN



I believe in children—little ones, big ones, chubby and thin ones. There is faith in their eyes, love in their touch, hope in their attitude. I thrill with them at life's joys, run with them through tall grasses, bow with them in worship, and hold them close in tragedy.

I believe in children—the fragile dream of yesterday, life's radiant reality today, and the vibrant stuff of tomorrow. Yes, I believe in children, for wherever I go, to mountain village, industrial center, or open country, I find yesterday's children who were nurtured in the things of Christ at work in the building of the Kingdom of God.

-Quoted

# A WORD TO MINISTERS . . .

We want to say a word of special appreciation to all our ministers. Our attempt with the Messenger is So many have shown a deep and abiding concern for needy families in their church and community. Of course, the ones we know most about are those who have used this Agency of the church as a primary resource for helping children and families in need.

Our attempt with the Messenger is to make it more than just another piece of material that comes to your desk. We are trying hard to make it the most valuable instrument in informing the church about the problems and difficulties of children and their families. We call your attention to two regular features; first,

We want you to know that we must rely on you greatly in our work with these situations. We do trust that the Barium Messenger and other materials produced by us are of help to you in interpreting

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We are grateful for everyone who helped make the Christmas Season such a wonderful one for all the boys and girls. We wish we could thank each one personally. Because of people like you Christmas will remain a reality throughout the year.

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One final word to ministers is that our casework staff, assigned to specific territories, stand ready to assist you at any time. We want to be of help to you—offering advice, counsel and specific recommendations about the problems or difficulties you encounter in child welfare and family groups. To this end we consider ourselves to be casework helpers to all Presbyterian Churches in North Carolina. We urge you to call on us when concerns arise and give us the chance to help.

# "CHRISTMAS REMAINS"

Yes, Christmas stays with us all year long. At least as long as PEOPLE SHOW LOVE - FRIEND-SHIP - and COMPASSION.

A recent survey made among the health, welfare and recreation agencies, colleges and university funds and church organizations indicated that some 50 million men, women and young people are giving valuable time to the programs of these organizations.

If we were to put a dollar sign on these services or translate them into comparable services of governmental bureaus one would gain some idea of the value to the nation of volunteers. Christian people in our nation are truly benevolentminded toward helping less fortunate and underpriviledged people. Love seems to have the answer for those who hunger, or are in need of clothing, shelter and friends.

Truly the New Year 1968 will be one in which Christmas and the Christmas spirit shall remain throughout the year. Remember, that Jesus was out among the people seven days a week. He always showed compassion, love and extended a helping hand to all those in need. For Presbyterians in the Synod of North Carolina the year 1968 holds much opportunity for us to be of service to such people. We, at Barium Springs Home for Children, are grateful for all the support of the thousands of you during the past year and look forward with much enthusiasm and hope for the work we do together in this New Year.

To all readers, as well as nonreaders, we say Happy New Year. Let us help you to make it a happier new year for any family in your community which needs the services provided by this Church Agency. We stand ready to make them available to you at any time. Do call on us.

# THE BIG CHANGE IN ADOPTIONS

The Child Welfare League of America estimates there is a surplus of 60,000 adoption - eligible children living in foster homes. The supply and demand varies geographically, but generally the problem is countrywide—in both public and private agencies. How can this turnabout in the adoption picture be explained? More people are adopting more babies than ever before, but the ratio of applicants to babies is declining. One reason is the increasing number of illegitimate births each year. In 1959 there were 4,295,000 births in the U.S. and an estimated 220,600 were illegitimate. In 1962 the number of births was down 4,167,000, but the number of illegitimate births was up to 245,000. By 1970 it is estimated there will be at least 350.000 illegitimate births a year.

Meantime, according to a 5-year survey by the Child Welfare League of America, while the number of children available for adoption was increasing by 44%, the number of applications for children was increasing by only 27%. In 1959 there were 149 applicants for every 100 available children. By 1962 the ratio had dropped to 122 applications for every 100 available children. Today the ratio is around 110 to 100. Not every applicant, of course, is acceptable. As a result 3 out of 10 adoptable children are not adopted, according to the U.S. Children's Bureau.

Another reason for the oversupply of adoptable babies is a lack of awareness among the public. Ironically, there are thousands of families interested in adoption who do not know that the situation has changed. They have experienced or heard about the long waits, the redtape, the rigid requirements that adoption couples used to face. Some people still think adoption is for the young, the prosperous and the childless—unless you go to the "black market." This is not so, especially in places where the adoption agency is enlightened and flexible.

There are still people who have the idea that a public agency dealing with babies from welfare clients, has only inferior children to offer. Others think a public agency handles only problem children.

There remain, of course, some adoption agencies that refuse to recognize the changing times. One expert who prefers to remain anonymous blasts the "still too prevalent and often petty procedures of some agencies that play games trying to match children to adoptive parents, even to color of eyes and hair, potential height, I.Q., and all the rest. What these agencies don't realize is that their rigidity and exclusivity is 10 to 20 years or more behind the times. They would be better off recognizing that

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By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

# **TAFFY**

Taffy is our new bird pup. She is a rather pleasant tempered, somewhat shy, female pointer. Taffy seems to have a pretty good blood line, but she comes from a bad environment. Her master didn't want her mother or the pups, and so he didn't take very good care of them. He obviously was trying to get rid of the whole family.

When we got her, she wasn't in very good condition. To begin with, she was the runt of the litter and hadn't been getting enough to eat. In addition, she suffered from a bad case of worms. The combination left one wondering if she would ever make it. However, with a visit to the vet, plenty of good food, and some loving care and attention, she began to grow.

I have started trying to train her. I've asked advice and read a couple of books on dog care. She stops at whoa when fed, and sometimes when running. I have put a pair of quail wings on the end of a pole and string, hoping that when she realizes that she can't catch them, she will flash a point. However, she doesn't appear in too big a hurry to show. I guess this doesn't matter too much though since she is too young for this season anyway.

I have plenty of time to allow two things to happen. One is to permit her natural instinct for hunting and pointing to develop, and the other is to let her know that although I am her friend, I am also her master.

She will need all the opportunity she can get to let her natural instincts develop. She is a hunting dog, specifically a pointer, bird dog. She has inbred in her certain talents and abilities which fit her for her calling. She has a natural tendency to seek out game birds and hopefully to stiffen into a point when she smells them. It is up to me to encourage these tendencies, but not to try and force them. As with children, I have to be permissive enough to let what is natural develop, but not too much so.

At any rate, she is pretty smart. She is kept on a chain most of the time, but still, like any young dog, she wants to play. There is a puppy next door that she likes to wrestle, and she is not above bribery. When she is fed, unlike most dogs, she waits long enough for her friend, who knows the feeding hours, to arrive. She then dares him to try for her food. She always manages to get the most, but she lets a few crumbs fall his way. Now, I don't mind her playing, and I'm glad to see her intelligence, but I must confess I'm not interested in feeding the other dog.

As Taffy grows older, I hope she will grow more confident of herself in terms of the outside world. You wouldn't think a young dog would be afraid, but to a puppy, particularly with her background, the world is full of strange sights, smells, and sounds. However, she already likes to run in the fields. As she gets older and bolder she will want to range out and explore further away, to run through the rows of corn, the fields, and the woods, always hunting, for this is what she is, a hunting dog.

However, she will want to hunt her way. And this is where the trouble will come. While she has natural talent, she will not want to develop it my way, but hers. She would rather catch than point the quail. After the bird is shot, she would rather eat than retrieve it. Instead of hunting in relation to me, she would rather go where she pleases. Instead of backing another dog, she would rather get there first and take the honor.

This means that I will have to spend many hours with her if she ever becomes a good hunter. It means her learning discipline and my learning patience, and there is some question about both prospects. It means that through a consistent relationship I will have to convince her that I mean what I say. She will have to learn to trust me completely and obey me without hesitation or doubt.

Because of this need for discipline she may have to be whipped some and scolded plenty, but since she tends to be a little shy to begin with, rewarding her through petting and kind words will be more effective. She will probably appear to learn well one day only to forget the next and so have to be taught again. Very likely when I think she has learned her purpose in life, the next season she will seem to have forgotten that she is a pointer and not a beagle hound supposed to chase rabbits.

However, if all goes well, next winter I may be able to take her to the field, see her trot off through the field, nose along the edge of the woods, suddenly slow down to a walk, and then freeze, staunch on a perfect point, head down and tail up.

At last she will be a real bird dog. There will always be more to learn, but her natural instinct along with patient training have worked together to help her become what she is meant to be, a good hunting pointer.

#### THE BIG CHANGE IN

(Continued from Page 1) there are more children than adoptive families and that thousands and thousands of good couples excluded by high fees and unrealistic home and income requirements would make good, loving adoptive parents."

The Child Welfare League of America has suggested a number of ways to stimulate more adop-

A major possibility is subsidized adoptions, under which low income families who want children but can't afford them would receive financial help. The money would come from public or private sources. The Chicago Child Care Society has tried subsidized adoption for several years — with apparent success. Other proposals:

Interracial adoptions: Although some states do not permit adoption of Negro or mixed-parentage children by parents of a different race, such a program has been tried in several places. The most successful program is in Toronto.

Single-parent adoptions: There appears to be no over-powering reason why carefully selected unmarried individuals should not be allowed to adopt children. The Child Welfare League has some reservations but is willing to see it tried with proper safeguards. Los Angeles already has such a program.

Adoption resources exchanges: To balance the over-supply of children in some areas with the over-supply of parents in other areas, the Child Welfare League of America soon will begin operating a national adoption exchange as a 3-year demonstration project. There already are state exchanges in 22 states

Abolition of adoption fees: It is generally agreed that fees are a deterrent to adoptions, especially among lower income families. Meanwhile, the adoption agencies have to get their message across to the thousands of people who don't realize how easy it is now to adopt a child.

By Sid Ross PARADE—Feb. 26, 1967.

# Alumni News

Richard Blackburn is the administrative resident at Hines General Hospital in Jackson, Mississippi.

Chuck Utsman was married in Costa Rica on Saturday, December

Jerry Williams and his wife, Fumi, are living in Okinawa. They went there last December.

Born to Calvin and Joanne Burleson on November 16, a daughter, Kristen Kirk.

Born to Libby and E. J. Huffstickler on April 25, a son, Allan Ivey.

Charlie Allen writes that he served in the army in Germany for three years and will go back as a civilian worker. He and his wife have a little boy a year and a half

Maxine and J. D. Beshears moved into a new home at Clemmons a few months ago. Their address is Route 2, Brewer Avenue.

Lynda Mae, the daughter of Mary Parks (Allen) and Charles Helms, was married to Richard Sylvester Benzie III on December 17th at Central Avenue Methodist Church in Charlotte. Bessie (Kennedy) Mullis of Boyd, Maryland and Dorothy (Maples) Gellathy of Rockville, Maryland and Amos Hardy have visited together recently over the phone. Bessie lives in the country and states she has seven riding horses and also some beef cattle. Her oldest daughter lives in Indianapolis. A son sixteen and one fourteen and a daughter eleven are at home.

Jim and Anne (Dilday) White moved into their new home this fall. Mr. and Mrs. Ike White spent part of their Christmas holidays with them.

Mary Frances (Price) Misenheimer wrote an interesting letter with news of her family. Her daughter, Kathy, is in the 7th grade, Alan in the 3rd and Chuck was four on November 25th. Mary Frances teaches the 3rd grade in Sunday School and the 4th grade in Weekday Church School. Kathy was an angel in the Christmas Pageant at the Church.

Jean Manius Salazar writes she is working in an office now. She and her family are active in one of the Presbyterian Churches in San Antonio.

Marian McCall Kleckly and her family moved into a new home in Columbia a short time before Christmas. They are at 6126 Poplarridge Road. Marian and Jim are active in the Church. Jim is in the real estate business.

Nancy and Cotton Parcell Aycock moved from Atlanta to Neshamic Station, New Jersey this fall. Their daughter is a nurse in Atlanta and was married before Christmas.

Alice (Jones) and Dave Bender of Philadelphia celebrated their 25th anniversary with a trip to the west coast. Their granddaughter will soon be two years old.

Dallas Williams wrote on his card that Dennis was in the hospital in Portland, Oregon. Dallas and Jenny have a fine boy, age 12. They have the Rancho-Drive-In at Jefferson.

Irene McDade Wagner continues to teach math in high school at Port Republic, Virginia where she lives

Sylvia Wells McCluney sent greetings from Miami. She has been working at a photographic studio.

Sue Bush is teaching in one of the elementary schools in Greensboro this year.

Marie McNeill Pridgen and her family are living in Wilmington.

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Born to Franklin and Nola Lentz of Gainsville, Florida, on December 14, a daughter, Emily Rebecca.

Gene Bonnous of Armonk, New York, wrote of the birth of a daughter, Candice, on January 5th.

Mary Ellen and Ernest Stricklin sent an interesting letter telling of the happenings in their family. Ernest is Educational Director, Department of Christian Family Education for our church. He held 38 Seminars for pastors in 14 Synods last year. The family went to San Francisco this summer where Ernest was attending the National Council on Family Relations. This August, he will go to Jamaica and teach church and public school family leaders. Their daughters, Rebecca and Martha, keep busy with school, scouts, piano and art and athletics.

Royce Harris made a short visit to the campus. He will go to the Army on January 30th.

Rae Powell Johnson visited Melva in Raleigh during Christmas. Rae is supervisor in the operating room at Iredell Memorial Hospital in Statesville. She sang a solo at the Christmas party the hospital had.

Bobbie and Ralph Spencer sent us news of their family at Christmas time. David has finished at Maryville College and plans to teach math in the 8th grade at Elkton, Maryland. Joe is in Lee College in Cleveland this semester, and Bobby is in Cleveland Community College. He is in the college choir and helps with the YMCA wrestling team. Ralph loves his work as Assistant in Christian Education of the church.

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Among the most frequently asked questions coming to our attention are: "How do you make an application to Barium Springs?" and "What is necessary in the process of a study before a child can be admitted to Barium Springs?" The following information is given in an attempt to answer these and similar questions.

# REFERRALS

Barium Springs welcomes inquiries or referrals from any agency or person interested in the welfare of children. Requests are given prompt attention, and action begins almost immediately in seeking solutions to problems presented to us

The majority of our referrals come from ministers or church related people. Sometimes the children and families in need are members of a local Presbyterian Church and have sought out their pastor for help. Other times, situations in the community come to the attention of the church, and the church feels a responsibility in helping the family receive adequate help.

The various County Departments of Public Welfare are a second large resource for referrals. Families with whom they are working who need the services offered by our institution are brought to our attention. We work closely with these agencies to find the best plan for the particular family.

Parents and relatives often come directly to the agency because of their knowledge of our services. Many times they have learned of this through former residents who have lived here, through their church relationships, or through community contacts.

Other referrals come from Juvenile Courts. These courts often feel that a child coming to their attention needs group living in an open setting rather than in a more restricted environment.

Then, too, both friends of the institution and friends of the families in need make referrals to us.

From all these sources, and possibly others, come the initial contacts with Barium Springs which result in the offering of our services as indicated following a study of the needs presented to us.

Not many days pass in which we do not receive a telephone call, a letter, or an unscheduled visit to the office, bringing to our attention the needs of a single child or a family of children. All of these do not necessarily result in the coming of a child into care. We are often able to help families find solutions to their problems without having to remove the children from their

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homes. We feel this kind of help is just as valuable, if not more so, than help given which results in placement.

In answering any inquiry, an invitation is extended to the parent or legal guardian involved to set up a definite appointment on campus with the Director of Social Services. This gives the inquirer an opportunity to see the campus, the staff, the children, and to discuss in detail what type of help is being sought and how our services can be of help. If during this interview it appears that Barium Springs may be able to offer care, applications are offered.

During this interview the social worker seeks to get a picture of the total situation. He gets essential social history and pertinent facts. He explains the services of Barium Springs and how we work with children and their families. He answers any questions which may be in the minds of the inquirer. Sufficient time is given in order for the interview to serve the purpose for which it is intended.

Sometimes the children involved come for the initial interview. This is not necessary, because most often it is better for the parent and Barium Springs to come to some understanding before the children are involved. If the interview does result in an application and placement, then we do arrange for a pre-placement visit to the campus by the children coming into care.

## THE STUDY

Following the filing of the application, signed by the parent and/or the legal guardian, the case is assigned to the social worker who works in the area from which it is received. The worker makes the necessary appointments involved in completing the study.

One or more visits to the home of the applicant are made by the worker. This enables him to see the family and its current situation. If the parents are separated, attempts are made to talk with the absent parent. This also offers the worker an opportunity to talk with the children for whom application has been made. The worker attempts to interpret to the children what is going on and to answer questions that are in their minds. He discusses the meaning of separation from loved ones, life in the institution, and future plans.

More often than not, the families making application are already known to a social agency. If so, the worker tells the family what other agencies or people he plans to talk with during the process of the study. If the family is known

to the local welfare department, the worker has a conference with the caseworker who knows the family. Valuable information is gained through this, and often the two agencies working together are able to make an adequate plan for the children. The welfare departments often are able to help the family complete the study in regard to the physical and psychological examinations required before a child is admitted to the Home.

Either the minister or someone in the church community is consulted as to his knowledge of the family situation. This helps the worker to determine church and community relationships, how the church has already dealt with the situation, and to interpret anew the overall program of the institution.

The schools where the children attend are always visited by the worker. In talking with the child's teacher or principal, a picture begins to develop of the child's abilities and relationships with peer groups and adults. Certain personality traits and character development are discussed. The academic profile of the student is important as plans for the future are made.

When the child is referred by a Juvenile Court the worker consults with the worker from the court to discover why the child was brought to its attention, what decisions have been made by the court, and how Barium Springs and the Court can work together on the best plan for the child. When the Court holds custody of the child, it is necessary for the court to sign the application along with the responsible parent or relative.

Other social agencies in the community may have knowledge of the family and, if so, they are also consulted. Interested relatives may also be interviewed in order for the worker to determine continuing contacts with the child and his relatives. If medical problems exist, it is necessary to talk with the family doctor or the Public Health Department to make the proper planning for the child and family.

During the process of the study and before a child is admitted, the child is given a thorough physical examination by his family doctor. Any existing medical problem is treated before admission, and the doctor advises the Home of future possible needs. Also, a psychological examination by a qualified psychologist is required before a child comes into care. This enables the Home to be aware of the abilities of the child and to be conscious of any emotional problems which will need to be handled.

Actually, it is rare for a child not to be accepted for medical reasons. If the child is ambulatory and can take care of his own personal needs, he is eligible for placement. Severely handicapped children are not accepted because our facilities are not such that their needs can be met. Children with severe emotional problems are often not good candidates for the kind of group care offered on campus. In either of these instances, the social worker attempts to help the family make an adequate plan for the child. Referral to the proper agency is made and a follow-up visit by our worker is made in aiding the family to carry through on other plans.

When it is apparent that the

child will be admitted to care, plans are made for a pre-placement visit to the campus. The child is given a tour of the campus and is often able to meet his future cottage parents and cottage mates. This helps the child to further his realization of placement and to become somewhat familiar with campus routine before his actual placement is made.

Upon the completion of the study, the social worker discusses in detail with his supervisor the information gathered, and plans are made to present a recommendation to the Case Committee. This committee is composed of the Executive Director, the Director of Campus Life, the Director of Social Services, and the Social Worker who has done the study. It is the responsibility of this committee to make all major decisions concerning an application or a child already in care. The social worker gives to the committee a resume of the information he has obtained during the study and makes a recommendation concerning a plan. The committee decides whether or not to accept the application. If it is accepted, plans are made for the cottage placement and date of placement, and the proper people are notified.

Before the child is admitted, the Social Worker talks with the child's cottage mother about the needs of the child and how best they may be met. Also, the infirmary, the local minister, and the business office are notified that a new child is coming into care.

How long does it take to complete this study? No definite answer can be given. It is always hoped that no more than a maximum of two months from the initial contact to the date of admission will be required. This may sound like a long period of time, but experience has proven that quick decisions are not always in the best interest of the child or the institution. Since our agency covers the entire Synod of North Carolina, we are not equipped to make emergency placements. We feel that the local community is much better qualified to deal with emergencies. The careful planning made by the agency for the child and his family always pays off in dividends as the future unfolds.

## **PLACEMENT**

On the day of placement the parent or legal guardian accompanies the child to the campus. Before the child is taken to his cottage a conference is held with the child, those who bring him, and members of the administrative staff. At this time the placement agreement is discussed in detail and signed by the legal guardian and the agency. The child is very much involved in all of these proceedings. We feel that no planning should be made without his knowledge. He knows the details of the agreement drawn up between his parent and Barium Springs and is brought along with any changes made during his placement.

#### IN PLACEMENT

While the child is in our care, his needs are ever before us. Periodic reviews are made by those staff members directly related to the child to determine what progress or lack of progress is evident, and plans are continually being revised as to how best the child and his family can be served.

From the beginning of placement, plans are implemented for the child to return to his own home as soon as possible. The social worker continues his contacts with family, relatives, and agencies interested in the well-being of the child. We know it is just as important to make a good plan for the discharge of a child as it is to make a good plan for his admission.

#### FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

No child is ever rejected for care for financial reasons alone. Although no fee for care is set, we do have a financial agreement between the agency and the legal guardian. If the responsible parent is able bodied and employed, we expect him to pay a certain amount each month for the care of his child. If an agency holds custody, we expect it to pay something toward the care of the child. The amount is discussed and set individually in each instance. If the child is entitled to any financial benefits, such as Social Security or Veterans Compensation, these are used by the Home for the child's total care.

## QUESTIONS

We are always happy and eager to talk with people about Barium Springs and what we are attempting to do. If anyone has questions about our policies and procedures which are not answered above, please let us know so we will have the opportunity to clarify them for you.

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In a recent issue of the Messenger we wrote about the three essential or basic kinds of care for children. As you may recall these are Supportive, Supplemental and Substitute. That article attempted to expand upon a particular phase of Supplemental care.

The area of Substitute care involves primarily Group Care and Foster Family Care. We would like to share some of the reasons why children need and can benefit from Group Care. At a later date we can expand more on foster family

Residential care in institutions accounts for most all children in group care. Such institutions take care of for the most part—(1) dependent and neglected children, (2) physically handicapped, (3) mentally retarded, (4) emotionally disturbed, (5) delinquent. Most of the dependent and neglected children (about 87% according to the last survey) are in institutions under private voluntary auspices and Barium Springs Home is a good example of this kind of care.

Group care, as we practice it, is separate twenty-four hour, residential, physically defined community; and, as such, it has unique advantages that can be exploited to meet the special needs of some children. The one thing we need to remember is that group care should be "treatment by choice rather than treatment by default." Even though we all know that there is a gap between the ideal and the reality, we should not be guilty in recommending placement or accepting for placement children on the basis of "a last resort." For instance, it is discouraging, to say the least, to get referrals from other social agencies of children in foster simply to get them off their budget or to get rid of a child who may

be causing some conflict.
Some of the unique advantages of Group Care can be listed as fol-

(1) It offers a child greater variety and choice of parental figures. There are many adults on the staff and if a child feels uncomfortable with one he may find a good relationship with another.

(2) The institution offers more tolerance for all kinds of behavior. Some behavior is just not acceptable in the community but can be dealt with and helped in the confines of an institutional campus.

(3) Such a home for a child offers a diluted emotional relationship. The child can share his houseparents with eight or ten other children and thus can stay a safe psychological distance away from the parental figure.

(4) Living with a peer group also is a help since the group has influence and even power in controlling his behavior.

(5) Certain advantages are attained by the rules and regulations necessary for a large congregate group. The regular, consistent and stable environment of the structure are an advantage for a child need-

ing to develop self-control.

(6) An institution can so plan

the daily life of children as to make the treatment more therapeutic. Living situations can therefore be regulated to better meet his particular needs.

(7) Also, special treatment groups with trained staff can work well because the children are always available for both study and individual or group treatment. What kind of children can best

use Group Care? The answere to this question is largely given in relation to dependent and neglected children since this is the focus of Barium Springs at this time.

(1) Children whose past experience are such that they find it very hard to trust substitute parents, or whose ties with their own parents make it hard for them to take on new ones.

(2) A child who is needing security in a place where he does not have to pit his strength against events too big for him and where there is freedom of choice to rebuild relationships at his own pace and to some extent with whom he will.

(3) Children who are so upset or disturbed that they cannot tolerate or be tolerated by a foster family.

(4) Children who need a period of emotional convalescence before they are brave enough to try a new child-parent relationship.

(5) Adolescents battling to establish their independence from parents or those who rebel against foster parents as they would against their own.

(6) Those requiring temporary separation from families and who need individual and group treatment in a program on a coordinated

(7) Children who have a very close attachment for their own, but inadequate parents, and thus have a strong distrust of substitute parents on a very personal basis, such as a foster family needs.

(8) Those who need short-term care, with emotional environment that demands less and thus protecting him from making ties that must soon be broken.

(9) It's a good placement for large sibling groups who should be kept together.

(10) Children who have such emotional handicaps that they are unable to implement adequately their roles as children in the normal family setting.

(11) There are also children who can benefit from group care that come from homes of very inadequate parents. Normally, such children should be able to accept the more personal relationship of a foster family, but if this parent inadequacy has been of long duration the child may have to seek group placement.

(12) Placement in an institution can also be predicated on inadequate parents who are threatened by the loss of his child's affection in a foster home with another set of parents, but may be able to accept placement in the more diluted parent relationship of an insitution.

(13) Normally children should not be placed at all for reason of poverty alone, but if placement seems inevitable such a reason is acceptable in an institution.

(14) Children needing shortterm care because of a family difficulty that good services can help correct are able to adjust well in group care.

(15) Older age children awaiting adoption or long range planning can be helped on a short term placement.

All of the above reasoning relative to Group Care could be enlarged on, and certainly every individual situation deserves full study and diagnosis before a child is subjected to the traumatic experience of being removed from his own home. It does point out that group care is one of the good and very necessary resources for helping children.

This, however, is not a day in which children are simply placed in the institution on a purely custodial care basis. A good institution providing group care will be both family oriented and treatment oriented. On its staff must be people committed to both good child care and to good family planning.

Barium Springs Home for Children is trying to operate a program providing the best for children who have needs in group care as indicated. Referrals are welcomed from all resources having an interest and concern for the child need-

#### AT BARIUM SPRINGS PETS ABOUND

# REINDEER ARE NEWEST ADDITIONS

By CHARLES MATHIS

Two tiny camera-shy reindeer, of the Northern Siberian White Fallow variety that Santa Claus would be proud to have keep him company at the North Pole, have tak-en up residence in the old football concession stand at Barium Springs Home for Children.

The reindeer, very own pets of the boys and girls at Barium, flew in from California a few days ago on a Delta Airlines jet, flight plans having been arranged by the Statesville Travel Service.

The two animals, which are supposed to be friendly but haven't yet grown accustomed to the idea of fraternizing up close with funnylooking North Carolina people, are eating hay and frolicking in the football field to the delight of all, including a pony named White Lightning.

A relatively recent newcomer to Barium herself, White Lightning wasn't able to make friends with the five other pony pets owned by the boys and girls but, so far, is apparently having no domestic quarrels with her reindeer compan-

They haven't had any trouble yet and we're anticipating them getting along all right," said Earle Frazier, director of campus life.

He explained that the other ponies-Ginger, Babe, Cindy, Lady and Crescent Cloud by name—refused to have anything to do with White Lightning and that this led to her being transferred from the pasture on the other side of the campus and placed within the tall chainlink fence around the football field.

The two deer, a buck and a doe, each about seven months old, have not been named yet, but Frazier suspects that some of the Barium boys will "tag them" soon.

He told how the deer came to be in North Carolina instead of

About six months ago, Charles Stroud, Frazier's campus life assistant, learned by television about a man in California who, owning a deer farm, enjoys sharing his animals with others, whenever assurance of a good home can be made.

The only cost involved was the airplane fare, Stroud found out.

The man with the deer farm (Continued on Page 2)



By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

# ALL THINGS TO ALL MEN

Some persons interpret Paul's remarks in I Corinthians 9:22, "...I have become all things to all men that I might by all means save some..." in an unhealthy way. When they read this verse, they feel caught in the compulsion of the impossible.

For instance a Christian may decide that Paul means he should be able to do all things. When he looks around at others who appear to be more accomplished than he, he starts to worry about his lack of ability. Often there is one friend, member of the family, or just an acquaintance who is the basis of comparison. This person may be able to sing, paint, or write. He is good at organizing, can teach a class, and when needed, may be called on to make a speech. Everything he does seems to succeed.

The envious soul is afraid that anything he tries isn't good enough. The inertia gets heavier and heavier, and soon he does nothing because he fears he will fail.

Actually, if he were to talk with his ideal, he might be surprised to find that he doesn't feel so successful. Either his eye is on other things, or he minimizes his ability because he had a strong need to be perfect also.

It would help us all to remember that we have at least one talent, and that when we use what we have, God expects no more of us. Furthermore, in the Body of Christ, it is not a matter of competing with one another, but of complementing each other to build up the Church.

A Christian may also read this verse with the feeling that he should be able to relate to everyone in a positive way. He may move towards others only to receive negative reactions, or perhaps even worse, no response at all. He may then get the feeting that something is wrong with him because he doesn't seem to get along too well with others.

Here at the Home we could feel this way. We know the children have needs and that someone should be able to help them. We may doubt our effectiveness because "I just can't seem to get anywhere with Johnny." Or, "I just can't get any response out of Mary at all." When we add up our "successes" and our "failures" we wonder what we personally are contributing, especially if we compare ourselves with others who seem to

Ministers sometimes suffer from a feeling of failure in terms of others' response to them. It is very easy to take the general indifference of society plus the personal limitations of people as personal rejection. This coupled with a sense of responsibility for the congregation as well as others can be a very heavy load to carry.

A minister attending a conference aired this feeling about witness and response during a break in the lectures. Later on during the day there was group prayer and meditation. During this time, he reported "seeing" a mental picture of a man carrying an atlas. Then as he watched, this heavy burden was taken off the man's back and put on the shoulders of

He interpreted this to mean that he was not responsible for every one. Christ bore that cross. This insight brought him considerable relief from his need to relate positively to everyone with a resulting response. He came to see that the spirit would lead him to use his personal talents where and when they were needed.

One other misinterpretation of this passage is that in being all things to all men, a person must be someone other than himself. Such a person usually tries to please everyone. In this effort, he suffers from the tension of anticipating what he thinks the other person wants from him or would like for him to be. He submerges his real self behind a proper mask.

A woman who had a career and a marriage lived a very happy life, she thought, until children came into the home. She gave up her work and decided to be a "good" mother. She loved her children, but found that constantly ministering to their needs and demands was very frustrating. She began to doubt her ability. Her relationship to her husband became strained. She found herself suspicious of her friends. Finally she had an emotional breakdown.

Interestingly, she saw this "crack up" as a real release. When she fell apart, her mind was able to force its way out of the straight jacket of trying to be everything to everyone. She made a good recovery and attributed it mostly to her discovery that she could not be anyone but herself. She realized that it was dangerous to ignore her own basic needs as an individual. She had responsibilities to others, but not to the point of losing her own personality.

Paul would agree, I believe, for if anyone ever was himself in all situations it was this great Apostle. Whenever he could, he entered into personal relationships with others in order to present the claim of Christ. But he never hesitated to be Paul in all things to all men.

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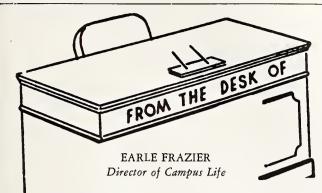
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Perhaps the most important factor determining the success or failure of any organization or program is the staff which, in the final analysis, determines how well the job is done. This is doubly true of programs such as the one at Barium where helping people is the purpose.

# HELPING THROUGH RELATIONSHIPS

Since helping people involves an intense interaction rather than simply doing something, relationships take on a new importance. More and more, one comes to realize that no real helping can take place apart from a meaningful relationship with another human being; that one can never know the real meaning of love, mercy, forgiveness, or trust wholly apart from these relationships; that a genuine Christian witness in everyday word and deed demands that a concerned and caring relationship be present.

At Barium, this relationship, this witness, this helping, if it happens at all must take place with individual staff members be they house-parents, cooks, farm workers, maintainence workers, nurse, or office staff. Thus Barium stands dependent upon these people to meet the needs of children who come to the campus to live—needs which are both complex and simple.

There are the natural needs for food, clothing, shelter, education, work experiences, play experiences, worship experiences, etc., that all children of all generations and circumstances have and will always have. And it is in meeting these natural needs that there arises the opportunity for relationships which will begin to meet a deeper need but one which is just as natural. It is relationships with other people which gives meaning to life and makes the difficult business of living worthwhile. It is at this point that most of the children at Homes such as Barium experience their greatest need - someone who will make it possible for them to begin to trust again. Life has taught these children that people—and especially adults - are not to be trusted; that it doesn't pay to care because to care has always meant to get hurt. And yet their need of lationships to make life worth living urges them to do that which life has taught them is most unsafe—to trust people. It is with these contradictory feelings that children come to Barium and begin to encounter various staff people. In this setting, providing food or clothing becomes much more than simply meeting a physical need and more even than a natural and needed expression of concern on the part of some individual, an agency, or the Church. The person offering this physical help may become the one with whom the boy or girl can develop a meaningful relationship and begin to learn again how to make, keep, and use relationships with other human beings. This is

caring and witnessing at its best.

# OUTSIDE TRAINING RESOURCES

In building and training a staff to fill this delicate dual role Barium tries to take full advantage of all available resources. There are numerous outside resources which have, over the years, proven of great value to child-care agencies. For a week during the past summer, three members of the child-care staff attended the Chapel Hill Workshops an in-service training program designed specifically for child-care workers. During the past year, nine members of the houseparent staff attended a formal school held at The University of North Carolina at Charlotte. This child-care course was of fifteen weeks duration and met one day each week for two hours. Several members of the Barium staff attended the annual meetings of The North Carolina Child Care Association where workers from many children' homes come together and exchange ideas and experiences. For many years, Barium has been associated with the Group Child Care Project which annually sends a consultant to the campus for a week of staff training. A great deal of literature is printed by various organizations and individuals who are interested in children and their welfare. Barium expects all staff members to make the best possible use of these many sources of help. However, child-care agencies such as Barium are beginning to realize that these outside resources alone will never result in a welltrained staff; that if the important job of staff development is done, it must be an integral part of day to day campus activities.

# ON-CAMPUS TRAINING

This on-campus orientation and training has several components. First, of course, is the job of teaching the policies and procedures of the daily operation; the multitude of small details which a staff member must attend to daily. Second is the matter of interpreting to and with staff the philosophy and purpose of the Home. What actually is it that Barium is trying to do to, for, or with the boys and girls in The third component of training is seeking to help each staff member develop his or her own best way of working with children; to help each retain his or her own particular individuality and, at the same time, fit themselves and their actions into the overall purposes and program of the Home. A fourth important part of training is helping each person to understand not only his or her own job, but also the responsibilities of other staff members. Finally, training must include keeping all staff

fully informed about what is happening in all phases of the program. If staff members are important, then they not only deserve to know what is going on, they need this information. Much effort is spent at Barium to keep people fully informed and "in training".

First is the meeting of various staff groups. Houseparents meet weekly to discuss current and coming events and problems. The auxiliary staff (farm workers, maintainence workers, dietician, cook, nurse, office workers, etc.) meets bi-weekly for discussion of current and coming events and also to give thought to how this group of people can best use their informal and unauthoritative relationship with the boys and girls. Full staff meetings are held periodically to clarify the various responsibilities and to bring these components into clearer perspective. Other group efforts take place on an irregular basis. The purpose of all group sessions is not to be able to say simply that a meeting was held to get all the thinking possible into the matter of developing a witness which is genuine and true and appropriate to this specific situation.

An especially important area of on-campus communication is the individual conference between supervisor and worker focused on how this particular worker can, with his or her own particular set of strengths and weaknesses, do his or her best work in the particular situation in which he or she happens to be. Although this method of training is time consuming, it is most important in helping people find their own best way of working. Since supervisory personnel is in-adequate to meet the needs of all the staff in this way, special attention is given to houseparents who are the core of any good child-care program. Weekly individual conferences are scheduled with each houseparent. To give readers an idea of what takes place in one of these conferences, the following excerpt from such a conference in another agency is given below. The interview. written by the supervisor, begins after the houseparent has related a problem.

I wondered what she (Mrs. Brown) could do in this case. Mrs. Brown said that could refuse Ann permission to attend this week's ball game. I said, "Yes..." Mrs. Brown interrupted to say that if she did this Ann would "blow her stack." I said that this was a very good possibility and wondered if Mrs. Brown felt that she could bear Ann's anger. She said that Ann was a good girl, that she could get awfully mad. I agreed that Ann was a good girl, that she could get terribly angry, and that this anger was hard to face. I wondered if Mrs. Brown felt that she could stop Ann's expected outburst if she needed to. She did not know. I asked if she could simply say to Ann that she regretted that this was necessary but that since it was, she would not listen to a lot of back talk. Mrs. Brown said that she could do this but that it wouldn't do any good. I asked if there was any way I could help with this. Mrs. Brown said that she felt that she should be the one to tell Ann but that she might need to call me to back her up. I assured her that I thought that she should tell Ann and that I was quite willing to back her up. We discussed a time for her to tell Ann and decided that she would do it that afternoon when I would be on campus in case I was needed. I said that I knew that this was hard for her to do but agreed that she should not let this offense pass. I also said that I would check with her the next day to see how she had managed. I wished her good luck and left the

The following day this note was added to the recording:

I went by and asked Mrs. Brown how things had gone. She told me of her talk with Ann, how she had been quite "shaky", how surprised Ann seemed to hee and how Ann seemed to have a new respect for her. I said that this must make her feel very good. She said that she felt better than she had in "many a moon." I said that I was glad she had this experience and that although things would not always be rosy, I felt that she had made a very important step in becoming a real houseparent. I complimented her on her concern for the girls and her firm handling of Ann. As I was leaving she thanked me for "being interested enough to come by."

Here, relationship again becomes most important as a vehicle for help. In this case the houseparent takes and uses help as she seeks to find new and better expressions of concern on which meaningful relationships can develop. The individual conference between supervisor and houseparent is invaluable in this search. Added to other sources of help and training, it becomes even more valuable as Barium tries to help its staff grow and learn.

# IMPROVING OUR WITNESS

Barium is fortunate to have a staff of concerned people but more fortunate that many of these people are constantly seeking to improve their witness, to sharpen and develop their skills at helping children, to keep on learning and growing. Learning and growing is a never-ending process as is Barium's efforts at training and helping its staff to find new ways to do a better job. If Barium's witness is to be genuine and true and appropriate, if the boys and girls are to be really helped, this has to be a continuous effort.

## PETS ABOUND AT BARIUM

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is a community developer by the name of Fritz B. Burns, and the fact that the little buck and doe are now in Iredell is a tribute to modern communication media and to the efforts of Congressman Ed Reinecke of California.

Back in 1951, while putting the finishing touches on Panorama City and while discussing ideas to stimulate Christmas shopper traffic, Burns came up with the thought: "Why not real, live reindeer?"

Panorama City, located in the famed San Fernando Valley, is a modern development that features a major shopping center, churches, office buildings and several hundred homes.

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Burns arranged for purchase of nine White Fallow reindeer from the Hearst Estate—enough to play the roles of Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donder, Blitzen, and Rudolph.

With their gold-glittered antlers and creamy white fur, they proved to be excellent shopper stoppers. But when the Christmas season was over, they had to be taken out to Burns' ranch, to await other Christmases and to increase their number.

By Christmas 1967, the original nine had multiplied into a herd of over 400 — much more than the California gentleman knew what to do with.

Burns asked Congressman Reineche to offer the major portion of the animals to the national park service, which, unfortunately, already owned more deer than it could use and even volunteered to give Burns some of the "brown type."

Undaunted, Reineche took his constituent's problem to the press. Newspapers and radio and television stations around the world told the tale about Burns and his reindeer

The next morning, the switchboard at Fritz B. Burns & Associates, 4950 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, Calif., lit up like a Christmas tree.

Among the inquiries was one from Barium Springs Home for Children.

The possibilty of getting some deer had been discussed with the Barium children, who were all for the idea and contributed \$25 of their allowances toward travel expenses.

The two deer, each of which made the trip in a plywood crate with breather holes on each side, arrived at Charlotte's Douglas Municipal Airport January 17. They were brought to Barium in the home's Ford Econoline station wagon.

Up until that time, no pets (other than the six ponies) were owned by all the children together, although in individual cottages there was a conglomeration of animals, such as several dogs, a half-dozen cats, some hamsters, a few white rabbits, a number of tropical fish and a turtle or two.

There's no trace of antlers on the buck yet. That will come, mavbe in a year or so—if White Fallow reindeer mature as fast as their bovine cousins.

The White Fallow, full grown, stands about 36 inches tall.

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# DAVIDSON WILDCAT FANS

Some of the strongest Davidson Wildcat basketball fans to be found anywhere are the children here at Barium Springs.

During the past season, several of our children have been the guests of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity for games both on the Davidson Campus and in Charlotte.

Our children who participated in



Patsy Clark and Guard Dave Maser

basketball at Troutman Grade School and South Iredell High this year were guests of the fraternity at the Davidson-Tulane game played at the Charlotte Coliseum in the final regular season game. As a special treat, the children got to meet some of the Wildcat players following the game.

Shown here are some of the children with stars of the Davidson



Vickie Freeze with Farward Jerry Krall

Laban was demanding, harsh, a

hard man to deal with. When he

tricked Jacob and wished Leah up-

on him instead of Rachel, he work-

ed seven more years all because he

loved her. There is no good life,

no happiness unless in the life of

each of us is some person, some

ideal, some cause, some work that

charmed because in his life was one

who lifted him out of himself. In

his life there was something big-

ger than his own ego. No fine

character is possible, no good life

is possible unless the individual has

the capacity for self-sacrifice on its

behalf. The true test of love is not

what one receives but what one

love his wife like himself and respect her more than himself. They

further admonish that we are to eat

less than our means, dress accord-

ing to our means and to treat our

wives beyond our means. This is

the doctrine of Jewish family life.

than a castle; it is a spiritual unit, a sacred institution. The sanctity

of the home is of paramount importance. This explains why the Jewish home has been able to

weather the tempestuous storms

that have raged forcefully against its fortified doors. The home made

the survival of the Jewish people

The home to the jew is more

It is the secret of its persistence.

Our sages tell us that man should

worthwhile purpose in life and

Jacob's years of drudgery were

charms the years away.

gives.

possible.

team. Pictured are: Patsy Clark with guard Dave Moser, Billy Ellis with All-Southern Conference center Mike Maloy and Vickie Freeze with forward Jerry Kroll.

We would like to express our appreciation to Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity for providing many enjoyable evenings for our children during the past season-



Billy Ellis with Center Mike Malay

# This is not to say that our fore-

as a result of a good marriage, a good home, good friends, a good

No person who does not give of himself without stint to something he cherishes as bigger than himself can be happy. This is what the Torah tells us when it writes, 'Jacob served seven years for Rachel; and they seemed unto him but

Valuing her more than himself, he slaved for her and is thus recorded for posterity.

From the Charlotte Observer Thoughts For Meditation By Rabbi Israel Gerber

REMEMBER

BARIUM SPRINGS IN YOUR WILL

# Duke Endowment Report

The Duke Endowment distributed during the week of February 15 the sum of \$2,016,665 to Carolina hospitals and child care institutions it assists.

James R. Felts, Jr., executive director of the Hospital and Child Care sections of The Endowment, said 191 hospitals are receiving \$1,-369,950 and 43 child care institutions, \$646,715. North Carolina's total is \$901,508 for hospitals and \$428,991 for child care institutions; South Carolina's, \$468,442 for hospitals and \$217,724 for child care institutions.

Assistance in the support of orphaned and half-orphaned children went to 26 institutions in North Carolina and 17 in South Carolina and amounted to approximately 98 cents for each day of care. With a capacity of 4,962 children, the institutions served an average of some 4,559 a day and had 1,663,988 days of care. The percentage of days of care of orphans and half-orphans, 39.6, compares with 41.7 in the previous year, indicating the continuing trend toward placing in institutional care fewer of these children and more from homes broken by causes other than death.

In addition to assisting hospitals and child care institutions with financial support and providing staff couseling for those requesting this service. The Endowment aids four educational institutions, rural Methodist churches in North Carolina, and retired ministers and dependent families of deceased ministers who served in the North Carolina or Western North Carolina Conferences of the Methodist Church. Educational beneficiaries are Duke, Furman, and Johnson C. Smith Universities, and Davidson College.

Among the children's homes in North Carolina receiving support was Barium Springs Home which received \$11,126.00. A part of this amount is restricted to higher education but most of it is for use in the regular operating costs of the program.

We want to express our gratitude to the Duke Endowment and to those who made it possible for this support. Our efforts here shall be to continue to merit this gift by providing the very best kind of services so badly needed by large numbers of children and their fami-

# Thoughts For Meditation

# A HAPPY MARRIAGE

A happy marriage is a great achievement. It never just happens. It requires serious effort. Whereas marriages may be made in heaven, the good Lord placed the responsibility for its maintenance upon us. The quality of a marriage is thus an index of how successful our efforts have been during the past year or years. The marriage relationship confronts each partner with his weaknesses. This is the most agonizing and glorious thing about it.

Each of us reaches marriageable age with some character defects; some ways in which we haven't quite grown up. Usually we can hide these imperfections from others. But the person we marry is not fooled for long.

When people marry, they always bring with themselves to the marceremony more than just their bodies, but also our personalities, the conception we have of ourselves, our value systems, our attitudes. The kind of marriages we have depends on the kind of persons we are.

The Torah provides a lesson which can help make the relationship between man and woman an uplifting experience. It is the tender sentence: "And Jacob loved Rachel; and he said (to her father Laban), 'I will serve you seven years for Rachel; and they seemed to him but a few days, because he bears had smooth sailing all along. They had their problems, their differences, their quarrels. But scandals, self-centered neuroticism, divorce-not these. There is more than humor in Sam Levenson's story of the gentleman of the old school who did, at times, feel like murdering his wife-but divorce? God forbid!

We hear much today about personal happiness. But happinessseeking people are truly adolescent. They do not grow into substantial men and women. They remain pampered adolescents. Happiness is a by-product, not a goal. It comes job, good health, and so on.

a few days, because he loved her.

## ALL IN THE FAMILY

Four leading scorers under one

Howard Cottage, with Mrs. Mary Moorefield as housemother, is proud of its basketball stars. Jim Gilmore, director of youth activities, and Mrs. Moorefield doubt if any other house in Iredell County could boast of such.

Living there are two basketball stars from South Iredell High School and two more from Troutman Junior High School.

They are Billy Ellis, 16, who made 20 points when the South Iredell freshmen team played Landis and who clipped his two front teeth during the game with Concord. He is coached by Coy Whit-

Larry Ellis, Billy's 14 year old brother, who scores points to match his straight A average, made 22 points for instance when Troutman Bobcats played Monticello. His coach is Jim Sherrill.

Ann Ellis, their 12 year old sister, is top scorer for her team at Troutman. In fact, she laid in 17 of the 19 points made against the team from Celeste Henkel. She is coached by Nell Shull.

And Susan McKinley, 15, is as outstanding in the gym as she is with books, arts and crafts, sewing and cooking up delicious dishes in the Howard cottage kitchen. Coached by Susie Ford, she is a member of the South Iredell High freshmen girls team and racked up 18 points in the game against Landis.

We, at Barium, are proud to present these fine young people to you. They are outstanding in many ways. If they have a secret of success it is most likely that they simply put themselves fully into whatever endeavor is presented to them. They work at the job.

These young people have also been the subject of an article in the Statesville Record & Landmark.



LEFT TO RIGHT-BILLY ELLIS, SUSAN MCKINLEY, ANN ELLIS, LARRY ELLIS

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

# WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

"You've been in here before, haven't you," said the minister as he and an eleven year old boy entered the study of the Church.

"Yeah," he answered as he looked around at the books in the shelves and the rather disorderly pile of papers on the desk.

"Have a seat over there," the minister said as he threw his hat on the table. "How long you been here?" he asked as he attempted to rearrange a few papers. "You were here when I came, weren't you?" range a few papers.

"Yeah, I've been here about four or five years I guess. I was the last of my family to come up here. I lived with my grandmother before then. There's one brother with her now.'

The minister leaned back wondering how to bring up the question the boy had asked on the way to town. "You say you want to join the Church?" deciding on the direct approach.

"I Jnhuh." "Why?"

"Oh, its not just to take, what do you call it? Oh, thats right, communion. 'Cause sometimes I do want to and sometimes I don't. I don't know. I just want to I guess. What happens to you if you take communion when you aren't suppose to?"

"You mean you wonder if it is wrong to take communion if you

aren't a Church member?"
"Yeah."

"Well, that's pretty hard to answer. But . . ."

Just as the minister started to try to answer, the squirming boy changed the question. "Do people die because they get old or because

they are sinners?"
"I don't believe I quite understand what you mean. Would you mind

saying that again?"
"I mean why do people die? Like when they do something wrong, do they die? Do they die because they are sinners? You know. Do they die because they have done something wrong? Why do they die?"

Well, some people die because they get sick or have an accident."

"Oh, I don't mean that kind of death. I mean, do they die because they get old or are sinners?"
"Well, some people die because what they are doing is sinful like getting shot trying to rob a bank. But some people are real sinful and live to be quite old. Hard to understand, isn't it?"

"Uh, I just wondered. Why did Jesus have to die? Why couldn't He have stayed on earth. Couldn't God have saved Him?'

"You wonder about things like that sometimes, do you?"
"Oh, well not too much. Just sometimes when I'm in my room by myself. I lie down on the bed and think about it. Not too much though. Quickly, changing the subject, "You know that table where they put that communion stuff. Somebody told me that you are the only one that can go behind there. Is that right? Are you the only one who can go behind that table?"

Well, I guess what he meant was that the minister is the only one who is supposed to serve the communion. But I wouldn't say that I was the only one who could go behind the table."

"I just wondered."

When the boy remained silent a moment, the minister asked, "You were talking about the death of Jesus. Do you mind telling me what you think about His death? Would you give me your opinion of what it means for you? What happened on the cross so far as you are concerned? 'What?"

"Can you put in your own words what the death of Jesus on the cross means to you?"

"I guess so we can come to Church?"

"You think being a Christian means coming to Church?"

"Yeah, you want to come to Church. Course we have to come here. Though I really don't mind coming, though. Well, sometimes on Sunday morning I'd rather not come, but most of the time I don't mind. Really I don't. Not too much."

'Some mornings you don't feel too much like coming, huh? What about a communicants class? Do you think you would like to join the class this year?'

"Yeah. I would have come last time, but I didn't know all the memory work."

"You don't have to know that perfectly. Being a Christian is something besides learning or memorizing things, isn't it?"
"Yeah, I know. Guess I will come to the next communicants class."

"Well, we can talk about some of the questions you asked, like why did Jesus have to die on the cross?'

"Oh, it doesn't matter too much. I mean . 'But you do seem sorta interested in his death."

"I just wondered why He couldn't have stayed alive and helped people," the youngster said as he became increasingly nervous about the conversation.

The minister thought a moment and then said, "The death of Jesus is sad, but you know because of the resurrection He is alive and can be

He started to try to explain, but realized the boy wasn't listening. "I wonder," he thought to himself, "what his questions really mean to him? There's a real concern about death and feelings of guilt-something to do with communion. But how can I tell him what he wants to know with answers he can understand. Especially when he, like most of us, can't put into words or is afraid to ask the real question.'

# Alumni News

Peggy McDonald visited on campus recently. She is working for a gas and light company in Atlanta and lives with her family in Stockbridge, Georgia.

Donald Blalock visited on campus. He has started his second semester at Mitchell.

Douglas Byrd completed a term at Mitchell and is transferring as a junior to Pembroke State College.

David Blalock made the Dean's List for the fall semester at East Carolina

Willard and Bernice (Stone) Thompson, formerly of Statesville now living in Charlotte, announce the marriage of their daughter Frances Diane to Ridley Rowland Keesler, Jr., of Hendersonville. The marriage was held in Statesville on March 9. Diane is an instructor at Winthrop College and her fiance teaches in the Gastonia schools.

The engagement of David Lee Spencer of Cleveland, Tennessee, Susan Elizabeth Talmage of Westmont, New Jersey, has been announced by her parents. She is a senior at Maryville Colllege where David graduated recently.

Howard Cox, student at Atlantic Christian College in Wilson, made a short visit to Barium.

Libby Joyner, who lives in Rocky Mount, and friends visited on campus recently.

A daughter, Mary Margaret, was born to Mary Emma (McClure) and Frank Garcia of San Antonio,

Texas on January 27th.
Ruth Ammons Wilson and Robert Alexander Beattie were married Saturday afternoon, February in the Fellowship Presbyterian Church in Charleston, S. C.
Sam Warlick died in Statesville

on February 3.

Royce Harris was inducted into the army on January 30.

We would like to correct an item of alumni news in the January issue of the Messenger. It was Bobby Utsman that was married in Costa Rica on December 9 rather than Chuck Utsman.

Billy Finley made a short visit to the campus. He is with the Air Corps and is stationed at Myrtle

Jim Summers, husband of Joy Stone Summers, of Statesville re-ceived the coveted Silver Beaver Award in a special ceremony of the Piedmont Council of the Boy Scouts of America in Hickory recently. Their son, Tom, was an Eagle Scout and is serving as an Air Force sergeant in Japan. Kent also made Eagle rank and is a student at the University of North Carolina and David has reached Life rank and is a ninth grader at D. Matt Thompson Junior High School.

Daryl and Kay (Brewer) Painter had dinner in the dining room

Mike Morgan made a visit to Barium. He is with the Federal Reserve Bank in Charlotte.

Linda Byrd is now living in Winter Park, Florida. She is working in the Pitney-Bowes, Inc. office Orlando. She is singing with a band at night in Winter Park.

Mike Young, son of Lt. Col. John and Ernestine (Garrett) Young, is a member of the National Honor Society in a high school in Springfield, Virgina. He is also a member of the German Honor

On March 10th Charles O'Kelley and his wife and Myrtle (Rushing)

and W. A. Johnson gave a reception in Maxton honoring Mr. and Mrs. T. L. O'Kelley on their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

#### **FOURTEEN ERRORS**

1. To attempt to set up your own standard of right and wrong and expect everybody to conform to it.

2. To try to measure the enjoy-

ment of others by your own.

3. To expect uniformity of opinion in this world.

4. To look for judgment and experience in youth.

5. To endeavor to mold all dispositions alike.

6. To yield to unimportant tri-

7. To look for perfection in our own actions.

8. To worry ourselves and others about what cannot be remedied.

9. Not to alleviate if we can all that needs alleviation.

10. Not to make allowances for the weaknesses of others.

11. To consider impossible what we cannot ourselves do.

12. To believe only what our finite minds can grasp.

13. To live as if the moment, the time, the day, were so important that it would live forever.

14. To estimate people by some outside quality, for it is that within which makes the man.

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# A MEMORIAL GIFT

Barium Springs Home For Children Barium Springs, N. C. 28010

You will find enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ in memory of Name of Deceased ... Address \_\_ Date of Death ... Survivor To Be Written ..... Address Relationship of Survivor To Deceased ..... Donor ... Address ..



Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils; freely ye have received, freely give.

Prices are ever on the rise; so

are salaries: so is the standard of

living, but not necessarily the stand-

ard of giving. Each year, Barium

Springs Home for Children makes

its Thanksgiving appeal for funds

to operate. Response is gratifying.

To you who remember us in your

stewardship program, we give our

Stewardship and giving are extremely important to the future of

Christianity. Think of North Caro-

lina with no church supported chil-

dren's homes, colleges, or homes for the aged. Many Christians say

these functions are no affair of the

church. Leave them to the state.

How foolish we become in our complacency and affluence. From

the financial point of view, this would create more and more EN-

FORCED stewardship to the state

(taxes); and Christianity would

reap nothing. Each year, church

and state grow further apart under

the guise of individual freedom.

Apparently the twain will never

meet again to any increased degree.

If it were left to civil government

to furnish all social services, Chris-

tianity would have lost a major tool.

Gone would be personal missions,

influence over youth, Christian edu-

cation, the biggest need for benevo-

lence, and an unending list of pe-

ripheral benefits to the church and

its stewards. The loss to the church's

wards are so obvious as to not war-

denied. The goal can never be

reached because it never stands

still. Christianity must grow in

scope. The church's agencies are

continually called upon to expand

their services. New services mean

new employees, training, and mo-dern techniques. The future must

There Has To Be A Limit."

over. Let me show you wavs to

increase your stewardship to God without further straining your

without further straining your purse. Or, if you do not feel strain-

ed in the area of giving, let me

show you ways to work untold

benefit which may have never oc-

This is thought or said over and

be planned and provided.
"I Give All I Can Spare.

So much for need. It cannot be

rant discussion.

curred to you.

deepest thanks.

-Matthew 10:8

# MEMORIAL GIFTS

Flowers are beautiful without a doubt. No service for a departed friend or relative would be complete without them. However, we often see flowers at a funeral too numerous to fit into the church or chapel. When did you last see a grave site bedecked with more flowers than could fit inside or neatly around the canopy? This happens altogether too frequently. It sometimes seems to be more a pagan rite than a religious honoring of the dead.

Here is an opportunity to serve many purposes at once. Send whatever amount you might have spent on flowers to a benevolent cause. Naturally, I speak for Barium Springs, and would like to further our appeal. There might, however, be another agency to which you feel closer, or which in a special circumstance may seem more appro-

In any case, at Barium Springs, we try to handle all Memorial gifts as promptly as possible. An engraved card is sent to the designated family members to notify them of your gift. Another card will be sent to you along with a receipt.

What have you done?

- 1. You have appropriately honored a deceased relative or friend;
- 2. In a very dignified manner, the person's family has been shown your concern and esteem;
- 3. You have invested in the lives of children;
- 4. You have an income tax deduction.

All these things have been done at the price you would likely have paid for flowers. Further, the deceased's name and your name will be published in this paper (it will be omitted if preferred). A personal observation is that highly perishable flowers serve to emphasize death whereas a gift to children is a reembodiment of life which always goes forth. Help it do so in Christ.

# LIFE INSURANCE

My first example was memorial gifts primarily because they are the most common. Now we move into the less frequently used areas. Life insurance is an excellent way to benefit a program.

Life insurance enables the Christian steward to make a sizable gift at death by making small contributions during his lifetime. Payment comes swiftly in cash after the benefactor's demise, and there is no room for entanglement by disgruntled heirs. If the charitable beneficiary is named irrevocably. the entire premium is income tax deductible! Remember that there is a 30% limitation of charitable deductions based on adjusted gross

Consider another possibility. You have maintained life insurance policies for many years to protect your family. As your children grow older and become independent, the need for protection ceases to exist. You can change the beneficiary to a charitable organization. Again, if it is done irrevocably, the amount of the policy's cash value at the time of transfer is tax deductible.

## WILLS

Have you made your will? We all know that every adult needs to have a prepared will; and yet many of us do not. I would feel remiss in composing this article if I did not include a note emphasizing the importance of performing this obligation to our families. If you have not done so, by all means see your attorney.

Let's look at a will as an instrument for leaving a gift to an institution. Again, consider the tax advantage. On any estate, there is a \$60.000 exemption. Further, you may leave one-half of your estate to your spouse free of Federal estate tax. There is NO Federal estate tax on property willed to a charitable institution.

Bequests to charity fall into four general categories:

- 1. An outright gift: This is for the use of the charity in whatever manner the administration deems prudent.
- 2. Gifts for a particular purpose: This type of gift restricts its use to whatever you designate, i.e. a dormitory, a scholarship fund, a church window, etc.
- 3. Establishment of a trust fund with the income to be used as deemed prudent by the administration.
- 4. Establishment of a trust fund with the income to be used for a restricted purpose.

Of these four categories, most institutions prefer that its benefactors use the first. An unrestricted gift puts the administration in a better position to use it to best advantage. A restricted gift may be for a cause which becomes obsolete before you die. Yet, in most cases, the hands of the administration are tied by your will.

Here at Barium Springs, all unrestricted monies and property received by bequest are invested through a Fiscal agent. We use the income from it to help meet current needs of children and their families. In this manner, a gift continues to give. However, if a special need should arise, the unrestricted principal is available for

It is paradoxical that some people will spend their lives involved in proper stewardship to God and charitable works but will leave nothing to these works when they die. Many seem to feel that a small bequest is not needed or appreciated. Whereas it is true that large bequests receive greater publicity, small ones, in total, amount to much more. Imagine the sum that could be available for God's work if every Presbyterian included in his will an outright gift of \$1,000.00 to his favorite church benevolence.

## GIFT ANNUITY

"You Can Keep Your Money-And Give It Away."

Contradictory? Not at all. An annuity is like a personal trust fund designed to furnish you a lifetime income. Let us say that you are a 65 year old retiree who has just received \$20,000.00 in company profit sharing benefits. You can profit sharing benefits. purchase an annuity for \$20,000.00 which will pay you \$1,040.00 annually for as long as you live. At the time of purchasing the annuity, you sign an agreement stating that the remaining principal of the gift annuity, when released at your death, shall become an endowment fund to be used by the object of your benevolence according to its greatest need. If this beneficiary were Barium Springs Home for Children, we would receive the income from such a fund indefinitely.

The above is, of course, a hypothetical situation. Annuities may be purchased at any age, in any amount (\$1,000.00 units), and for any charity.

Let's review the advantages. The annuity offers you a fixed, guaranteed income for life. The amount of income is based on your age at the time of the gift and the amount of the gift. Most of the income (70 to 85%) is tax free. If your gift is comprised of securities which have increased in value, the capital gain will be reduced or completely avoided. An annuity is not included in your estate, and avoids estate tax and expense.

A Liberal Man Will Be Enriched. -Prov. 11:25

The best time to give is in life while you can know the joy of sacrifice and see the good of your works. Barium Springs Home for Children is immediately helped through your pledge to your home church, and gifts through your church which are specifically marked for Barium Springs. This is the case of our Thanksgiving appeal. Let me also stress the need for gifts sent directly to the Home because of your own particular desire to assist children. All of these are called living donor gifts.

If you have unexpectedly high income or profits during a given fiscal period, a year end gift can ease the higher tax burden. Gifts of appreciated securities are an excellent way to avoid taxes whether the increment is for a short or long term. Remember, gifts in the form of checks written during the current year are tax deductible for the current year even if not received by the beneficiary until the next year. Thus, if you mail a check on December 31st of this year, you deduct it on this year's return even though we do not receive it until the following January and it does not clear your bank until next year.

It may seem that we have dwelt much on death. Living donor gifts and gifts upon passing from this earth share in their great assistance. The important thing is not so much how or when but that a healthy and responsible attitude is maintained toward giving. Death is an unavoidable fact of God's kingdom and must be considered objectively. With planning now, you can do much good at the termination of your earthly sojourn.

Should you have any questions about the foregoing, please feel free to contact the writer. It would be a considered honor to help in any way possible.

May you be advised of The Presbyterian Foundation Inc. (U. S.). As the gift and endowment agency of the church, it is in an unique position to assist with information and advice, especially regarding life insurance and gift annuities. Its location is 1004 Wachovia Building, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202. The primary function of the foundation is to receive and invest funds to serve the church in all its work, a job it has performed for over a century. They invite your inquiries.

It Is He That Giveth Thee Power To Get Wealth. -Deut 8:18

# Stewardship is carrying your share of the load



"We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak." Romans 15:1

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# MY LIFE AT BARIUM



SYLVIA BUSH

If you come to Barium Springs to live as one of the many children who live here, I can assure you that within a month you'd be saving-"I hate this place. I want to go home." Well, you wouldn't be normal if you didn't. No one wants to be separated from their home and family. However, every child sooner or later realizes that when situations arise in which a child cannot be properly raised at home, Barium Springs is the best place

I've been at Barium since 1954, and boy has it changed since then.

When I came to Barium I was put in a cottage with children ranging from the age of two to five. This was the Baby Cottage, and boys and girls lived here together until they were of school age. At the age of six I was moved into Sanford Cottage with girls of all age groups. I stayed at Sanford until, at the age of thirteen I chose to go live with my father and stepmother in Burlington. Things didn't work out too well for me at home, so with the help of Rev. W. F. Barnette and the faculty of Barium, I returned in 1965. I had never really appreciated Barium until I left. By leaving I finally realized all that had been done for me by Bar-

When I returned to Barium I was put in North Cottage with girls of all ages. I am still in North Cottage, but the girls are all between the ages of fourteen to eighteen.

In 1966 the faculty of Barium was completely changed. As a result of new administration, we at Barium have seen a great change in campus life and relations be-tween adults and children.

As I leave Barium this year it will be with a sad heart full of pride. I'm sad because I can no longer be a child of Barium, I must be the maturing youth who is furthering her education for better opportunities. Yet, I am proud of all that I have had the opportunity to learn and accomplish while at Barium.

I plan to continue my education this fall as a freshman at Mitchell

College in Statesville.

I want to express my deepest sincere thanks to those who have



GENE WILLIAMSON

Barium Springs Home for Children is my home. I have lived at Barium since August 2, 1965, and ever since then I have lived a very unusual and challenging life.

I arrived just in time for the noon meal (tea break) that hot summer day. After the meal, Miss Carpenter introduced me to my houseparent, Mrs. Sarah Smith, my roommate, and my new home—Wallace Cottage.

I started out working in the or-

chard during peach season, (I still itch); and then I was moved to the gym to clean it during basketseason. In April, 1966, I was moved to the kitchen because poison ivv is attracted to me like bees are attracted to honey. Presently I am working with the campus cleanup crew.

The whole time that I have been up here I have been at the awkward age where I have no one to communicate with. However, things changed in March, 1966, when we got a new relief houseparent. He is C. Peter Cole, a graduate from the College of William and Mary. He is 24 which makes him old enough to handle the responsibilities of an adult, yet young enough to understand the problems that teenagers face. I can't begin to relate to you how he has helped me.

I have been accepted by North Carolina State College, Gardner-Webb College, and I am now waiting to hear from Pembroke State College. Now I face the problem of which college to attend. I don't have the space to explain the advantages and disadvantages of the schools, but I will say that I am leaning toward Pembroke.

Barium is sending me to college, and I am going to supplement this advantage by working this summer at Kewaunee Technical Furniture

Company.
I am finally realizing what a great place Barium is and I know I am going to miss it deeply because it is my home. I believe that because of my training and education I received from Barium I will be able to take my place in society and I will contribute to my fullest. Gene Williamson

helped me during my life at Barium.

Sylvia Bush

# CAMPS AND CONFERENCES

Already children and young people have voluntarily signed up for summer camps. The summer months provide one of the best opportunities to give our children a wide range of activities. We employ extra staff and structure all types of programs for their benefit.

As usual, about sixty to seventy will want to attend one of the Presbytery Camps or Conferences. In addition to Camp Grier, we will have children attending both Winston-Salem and Mecklenburg Presbytery Camps.

Since children profit so much from these experiences, it has always seemed to be a joy for individuals and church groups to support this program. This is not a part of our regular budget so we must invite and urge your financial support. Last year we ran short of money for the summer work and thus urge more to participate this

If you need some guide as to the amount to give, let us suggest that it will cost about \$25 for each child. However, gifts of any size are most acceptable. Let us suggest that this is an excellent project for some Sunday School or Bible Class. For groups who regularly sponsor a particular child, you will surely want to make a gift.

All monies received are credited to this special purpose, and you may be sure that children will derive full benefit from it. It will help us to credit and acknowledge your gift if you will use the special blank printed herewith. Remember, some child may not get that which he desperately needs if you fail to

# Prominent Presbyterian Honored



HERMAN L. MacLEAN

We, at Barium Springs, are always eager to express appreciation for a Presbyterian who has made his life count by rendering high service to those less fortunate. Such is the person of Mr. Herman L. MacLean of Alamance County, Long active in the field of mental health, he was elected recently at the meeting in Winston-Salem of the North Carolina Mental Health Association to be its new president.

Mr. MacLean is an elder in the Hawfields Presbyterian Church and has also been active in many church areas. For a period of time, he was a member of Synod's Budget and Stewardship Committee.

In the important area of public school education, Mr. MacLean organized the Alamance County Committee for Better Schools and the Burlington-Alamance County Special Committee on High School Dropouts. He has also been a Parent-Teacher Association President and appointed by two North Carolina governors on the State Committee for Better Schools.

Mr. MacLean and his wife, the former Jolene Caldwell of Moore County, and their two children, Keith and Kathy, live on a large farm in Alamance County. He is an official of the Western Electric Company and breeds purebred Hereford cattle on his farm.

In these days when so many of our population are beset with mental illness, it is comforting to have a man of Mr. MacLean's ability to head the Mental Health Association. At Barium Springs where we have so many children referred to us from families who are mentally ill, it makes us more conscious of the need to provide help for this segment of our people. Every year we see an increase in the number of upset and emotionally disturbed children. Under his leadership we would certainly look for a strengthening of resources in the state for helping the mentally ill.

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# CAMP FUND

The enclosed is to be placed in the Camp Fund
and used to send children to Presbytery Camps or to help with
other camp and summer experience.
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# Communicants' Class

A frequent comment is that a children's home ministers to the physical, mental, and spiritual needs of children. Certainly it is a ministry of the Church that reaches the whole child. No other single institution among Presbyterians in North Carolina makes such a great impact on the lives of so many children who are unfortunate and need help in a multitude of ways.

Little Joe's Presbyterian Church stands at one end of the campus to say to the world that the focus of this program is a Christian ministry, and that Jesus Christ, the Head of the Church, is at the center. The session of Little Joe's Church and its minister, Reverend Earle Barron, lend their efforts toward a spiritual ministry on the

Ordinarily twice each year, the church conducts Communicants' Classes so that children who desire to unite with the church may be directed into right decisions. This spring it was necessary to have two classes. They met each Satur-day morning from 9:00-11:00 A.M. for a number of weeks. Placing their membership in Little Joe's Church on profession of faith and baptism were sixteen children divided into three categories. One by transfer of letter, Tony Moose. By profession of faith, Chris Gilleland, Richard McKinley and Roger Lingerfelt. By baptism and profession of faith, Guy Duncan, Richard

Worrell, Lee Cape, Ricky Scruggs, Ronnie Grant, Sammy Wise, Steve Ellis, Tony Moore, Angie Woodard, Vickie Klouse, Loraine Moore, and Mike Dumbloskie.

A part of our love and care now shall be to guide these young Christians into mature young people and hopefully into fine Christian citizenship doing their bit to witness for Christ in the work-a-day world.

# Southeastern Child Care Association

The Southeastern Child Care Association comprises about eight states and represents a large number of child care agencies. There is an annual meeting which lasts two days. In addition to the platform address there are institutes which are led by consultants qualified in particular fields. Most of the content of the two days is directed toward institutional care; however, now that many agencies offer mul-tiple services the program is more varied.

The meeting was held this year in Charleston, South Carolina, on March 26-28. It was well attended. The institute for executives numbered forty-two different persons. Barium Springs Home had eight persons in attendance, which I believe was the largest number from any agency. Our Mr. Earle Frazier was a member of the Program Committee. He was also on the Nominating Committee.

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By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

# ACTING OUT

With an explosion of anger the child hurled a large stone through the window of the building. Still angry, he began throwing any object he could find through the shattered frame. Gradually he simmered down, and realizing what he had done, ran quickly away, hoping no one had

The child was acting out. He was venting emotions he could not express verbally to the right persons at the right time. Any number of things could have set off this rampage. More than likely it involved a sense of frustration arising out of feeling thwarted. Some one had not given him what he needed or wanted. It may have been that no one loved him or cared for him. More than likely it also included resentment towards whatever authority controlled him, particularly if he felt that he was being unfairly treated. A most important feature of the acting out would be this rebellion against authority and the inability to express it verbally for fear of retribution or a fear of loss of whatever little love and security he had.

This acting out is expressed in many different ways by different persons. A husband who is angry at his wife may not be able to tell her so, either because he is not altogether sure of what he is angry about or because he fears that putting into words his real feelings will cause her to leave him. He has discovered, however, that excessive drinking on his part infuriates her, but nevertheless does not drive her away.

Acting out is not confined to family relationships but seems to be growing quite rapidly in society today. Because persons feel that they are unjustly treated or are not getting their share of the "good things of life" we have seen a wave of acting out on the part of various groups and segments of our nation. After the mass destruction that took place last year in the nation's cities, metropolitan areas are already getting ready for more summer violence.

The object of this violence is some vague "system" or perhaps the "establishment." The rioters are those who feel that they are being unfairly treated. They are using mob anonymity to let loose the furies that have accumulated in them over the years for past injustices or feelings of resentment which often have nothing to do with the issues at hand. Acting out with violence, however, expresses the way they feel irrespective of how good or bad their goals. (It may be added that the retaliation by the "establishment" may also express its own acting out).

It seems that a great deal of such acting out includes frustration against God, who represents the highest authority and one whom we may often expect to give us a better deal in life. When He doesn't and life doesn't turn out the way we wanted it to, we build up inner resentment which may express itself in many ways.

Recently the newspapers carried the story of a thirty-five year old electrician who had filed a \$25,000.00 damage suit against God claiming that He was responsible for an injury to his back. Along with God he named as co-defendants about thirty country churches because he said they were "the agents of God." He said that he had been hurt when the side-walk he was on collapsed during a storm. He had previously sued the city, but the jury had ruled the accident "an act of God." Therefore, he decided that God would pay for what He did to him. The judge ruled the suit ridiculous and threw it out of court.

More than likely the man was mad at God for a number of things and this gave him the opportunity to act out these feelings in a way more dramatic than most. While we may laugh at such an incident, we cannot laugh when we recall the story in the Gospel which illustrates so vividly our anger with God. A number of representative persons acted out that feeling when they crucified Jesus Christ—the religious leaders, the politicians, the soldiers, the crowds of common people, and the disciples, one and all, had in one way or another a hand in nailing Him to the cross.

What we fail to accept is their representative character, or that if we had been there then or He were here now, we would do the same thing to Him. Jesus represents the presence of God on earth in tangible form and personality and thus an authority against whom we may let go our true feelings.

While it is true that our crucifying Jesus on the cross represents our acting out against God, it is also true that this act was used by God to enable us to realize our true feelings and relationship to Him—that is, one of rebellion. As we see Jesus on the cross we drain our fury on Him. Then having spent our anger we are surprised to find no retaliation, but simply hear the words, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they In this we may gain insight into our true predicament.

Aware now of our true feelings and of his willingness to hear our story of grievances, we feel not only our anger and guilt, but also His love. Kneeling at the foot of the cross we humbly put into words what we couldn't say before. "I have sinned against thee, Father. Forgive me for Christ's sake.

North Carolina Conference For Social Service Reports of 1967 Regional Workshops

Adult and Juvenile Delinquency Section Dr. E. Norfleet Gardner, Chairman

The three meetings of the Adult and Juvenile Delinquency Section held in Asheville, Guilford College, and Greenville were attended by an average of forty or forty-five persons who were widely distributed among agencies and institutions, professional and non-professional representatives, students and adults. While no composite report can do justice to any of these, perhaps matters discussed in all may assist

in forming a consensus. In general, discussion centered around three topics:

Causes contributing to de-

linquency.
Preventive measures to combat delinquency.

After-Care programs.

These topics were confined almost entirely to juveniles.

The causes for juvenile delin-quency probably added little to the overall information of the conference but served to share with other members references to three areas of neglect and failure. Those attending were emphatic in laying chief blame upon the home and cited the following failures of the

- 1. Lack of parental authority and direction.
- 2. Lack of an established head of the household.
- Little or no cooperation between parents.
- No rules or regulations set and enforced for children.
- Broken homes, with resulting lack of security on part of children.
- Disorganized homes.
- Over-indulgence in some homes.
- Failure to establish right sense of values, with overemphasis on material values rather than spiritual.
- Lack of communication between parents and children.
- Poor and/or inconsistent disciplining on part of par-
- 11. Lack of motivation.
- Some attention was paid to environmental causes for delinquency, such as:
  - Failure to let youth feel a part of his environment.
  - Failure to let youth be free to hely shape his environment, rather than merely rebel against it.
  - Bad leadership of groups. Status urge, with some determined to gain it at any
  - cost to society or self. Efforts of deprived youth to seek that to which he has not been accustomed.

Psychologically speaking, the group might classify as causes for delinquency the following:

- Desire of youth to strike back at parents for something he did not get.
- Demand that youtn choose, with wrong choice often easier.
- Wish to have responsibility that had been denied him.
- Lack of coordination of social services.
- Difficulty of a deprived child to grow up in an affluent society.

Some helpful, but not extensive, discussion was given the matter of prevention of delinquency. These suggestions were made:

- 1. It is important to improve the cultural and economic conditions of the home.
- Parents need to be helped to realize the dangers the children face.
- Sharing problems. Parents should be honest in letting children understand they do not have the answers for all problems.
- Seek the true leaders of gangs and help direct their energies. This is a task on which social services agencies may accomplish much good.
- Keep communication channels open between youth and his elders, whether parents, social agencies, or others.
- Provide in school systems incentives for the slow and also the gifted child.
- Incorportate youth in the total life of the community.

Many positive helps were pointed out for after-care programs when the delinquent returns from correctional treatment. Some of these were: (1) Preparation of the community for the return of the juve-nile; (2) Recognize needs of children-love, self-respect, respect of the community, social adjustment, guidance in educational, social, and religious aspects; genuine friendliness; (3) Create right atmosphere through good public relations with civic and church groups; (4) Consideration of attitudes, capacities, family standing, etc. in placing child in best climate for rehabilitation; (5) Keeping contact with child from time of trouble through period of commitment and into community on his return; and (6) Greater cooperation among agencies working for the rehabilitation of the delinquent.

In addition to these suggestions, it was also brought out that with trained social workers appointed for the child many children might not need to go to a training school but could go back to their families. Camping programs, securing jobs for delinquents, vocational schools and half-way houses for offenders after leaving correctional institutions were commended. Special atBARIUM MESSENGER

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tention was given to volunteer help on the part of citizens in the community. This would be a select group of men and women, acceptable to legal authorities involved, and agreeable to offenders returning home, who would offer their help and friendship toward the rehabilitation of those who had been before the courts or were returned from correctional institutions.

One proposal, adopted by one Workshop, and in spirit approved by all, recommended a long-range program for which appropriations by the legislature would be needed. In the light of new district courts that are to be set up in North Carolina, doing away with juvenile courts and raising the age of juveniles to 18, it was recommended:

- That a statewide system of consulting services be set up on a regional basis, preferably under the direction of the Board of Juvenile Correction, and that these services be available to probation and detention agencies and to existing correctional programs.
- 2. That the system endorse existing resident school systems of correction.
- 3. That after-care services be promoted through existing agencies and volunteer services that may be acceptable.

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# A MEMORIAL GIFT

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You will find enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in memory of Name of Deceased ..... Address ... Date of Death ... Survivor To Be Written ..... Address Relationship of Survivor To Deceased ..... Address



In every well adjusted life, time is provided for doing those things which we enjoy doing. This might take the form of athletics, painting, playing a musical instrument, hunting, fishing or simply relaxing with a good book. Barium Springs recognizes the need for recreation in its total program and the following is an outline of some of the ways we are attempting to meet this need.

The office of youth activities actually has a dual function at Barium Springs. This office coordinates all youth work at Little Joe's Presbyterian Church through the church school and youth fellowship. The second function, with which this article shall deal, is the establishment of programs designed to give the children at Barium Springs the opportunity to participate in activities which will add to their cultural, creative and physical growth.

#### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

We encourage our children to take part in already established community activities when they are available. By doing so, the child's social development is aided through worthwhile pursuits and the establishment of personal re-lationships outside the home is made possible.

Our children participate in a wide variety of community-oriented activities including Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Brownies as well as local Little League programs. Our children are given the opportunity to attend various entertainment features in the community. Within the few months these have included a circus, a choral concert, a Community Theatre musical-comedy production, several outstanding motion pictures and local professional baseball games.

Trips have been organized to enable children to visit Morehead Planetarium at Chapel Hill, the state museum at Raleigh, the Shrine Bowl in Charlotte, Tanglewood Park near Winston-Salem and Davidson College Basketball games.

# SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Our children are given the opportunity to participate fully in the activities offered by their school. The home has been well represented on school football, basketball, wrestling and track teams during the current season as well as by cheerleaders, band members and majorettes. Many more of our children are members of various school organizations.

Those who are not actually participants in school activities are given the oportunity to lend their support by attending both home and away athletic contests, band concerts, school dinners, talent shows and similar events.

# **CAMPUS ACTIVITIES**

During the school year, we offer varied week-end and holiday recreational opportunities for our children. We have an inter-scholastic size gymnasium adequately equipped to serve children of all ages. Gym activities include ball, kick ketball, volley ball, dodge ball, kick Gym activities include bas-

ball, indoor softball, shuffle board, tumbling and roller skating. The gym is also the scene of most campus-wide parties at such times as Halloween. Christmas and New Years Eve.

Within the past year we have remodeled a portion of the gymnasium basement into a teen-age campus center which was named "The Hub" by a vote of our children. Admission to the campus center is restricted to teen-agers and this age group drew up the rules regarding conduct, use of facilities, etc., at The Hub. The Hub features color televi-

sion, billiards, ping pong, dancing, a snack bar and a lounge area. This facility is also used, at times, for parties by campus groups.

During the school year a daily afternoon playground program is offered including facilities for children's non-directed creative play. On the week-ends, pony rides are

# SUMMER PROGRAM

During the summer our activities program is expanded. The recreational staff is augmented by the addition of specially selected college and seminary students, and other persons, capable of forming meaningful relationships with our children. A full-time aquatic program is offered in our modern pool which includes both instructional and recreational swimming. The playground offers organized group play such as softball, volley ball, basketball and field hockey. Instruction is available in archery and tennis. Courses in nature study and daily arts and crafts sessions are added to the schedule. Near the end of the summer both children and staff participate in the "Barium Junior Olympics" and the annual talent show.

A very important part of our summer program is the opportunity for our children to attend church camp. Last year we had groups attending sessions at both Camp Grier and Camp Stewart. Not only does attending church camp allow children to contemplate the wonders of God in nature's own setting, but, it also allows them to form new relationships and friendships outside the realm of the Home's campus and thus adds to the growth of each child's individual personality.

# **ARTS AND CRAFTS**

We have recently created both an art studio and crafts workshop on-campus under the guidance of an expert professional instructor. This is an outgrowth of the interest generated by an ambitious arts and crafts program during the past summer. Instruction was not readily

# Alumni News

Cheek Freeman's son, George Cheek, Jr., was married to Lois Carolyn Small of Charlotte on March 30th. The wedding was in Commonwealth Baptist Church.

Cheek, Jr., is a senior at U.N.C-C. Gertie Smith Welborn and her husband from High Point and Vance Smith and his wife and daughter from Statesville made a short visit to Barium.

Jim White and his family of Ahoskie visited Mr. and Mrs. Ike White recently.

Larry Wilkins, who is in the Marines, made a short visit to Barium.

Jake Beattie came to Barium while the peach trees were in full bloom and took lots of pictures.

Margaret Presnell Mayhew of Mooresville is nursing at Davis Hospital. Walter Barefoot is in Officers

Training School. Edward Barefoot is in Vietnam as a civilian worker.

Rex Lewis and his wife from Albuquerque, New Mexico visited his brother, Ben, at Stony Point recently. Rex has two daughtersone is teaching and the younger one is in college.

Amick Johnson is teaching and coaching at College Park Junior High in Hickory. His wife is a caseworker at the Department of Public Welfare. She visited here recently in connection with her

Donald Frazier flew to California to spend his spring vacation with Annie Leigh and her family. Donald is teaching Math and coaching at the Country Day School in Sa-

James Hoover spent a few days leave at Barium. He will go to Vietnam soon.

Al Blake has joined the Navy.

Charles Barrett attended a conference called by the U.S. Office of Education in San Antonio, Texas this month. He visited in the home of his sister, Mae Allen, in Albuquerque, New Mexico for a few days. Charles attended this conference in connection with his posi-

available in the community so we felt it necessary to provide our own facilities. Last summer's arts and crafts program was climaxed by an exhibit of the children's work which was judged by area art experts with prizes being awarded for various type skills at different age levels. A wealth of latent talent was revealed in the exhibit and some of our winning entries were placed in the Iredell County Fair arts and crafts contest where they won additional prizes in the county-wide competition.

We also encourage the development of musical skills and children who have shown an interest in, and talent for, dancing and musical instruments have been provided with professional instruction.

Our philosophy regarding recreational activities is founded upon the knowledge that a child is an active, dynamic being whose fundamental physical and psychological needs can be met, in part, through the medium of appropriate recreational opportunities. We feel that a properly developed program of well balanced activities from which a child may choose those areas in which he wishes to participate will do much to help the child realize his potential for growth and development.

tion as Educational Director of the General Adult Education and Community Service Programs of North

Rae Powell Johnson from Troutman attended the reception at Maxton honoring Mr. and Mrs. T. L. O'Kelley on their golden wedding anniversary. The Bernardos from Charlotte, Lilly Bryant Bozemon and family from Wilmington, Donald Frazier from Savannah, Bobby Johnson and family from Fayetteville, and Sylvia Brown from Valdese were among Barium alumni attending.

Miss Kate Taylor received word recently of the death of her sister, Margaret L. D. Taylor, of Blackpool, England.

# Children Learn What They Live

If a child lives with criticism, he learns to condemn.

If a child lives with hostility, he learns to fight.

If a child lives with fear, he learns to be apprehensive.

If a child lives with pity, he learns to feel sorry for himself.

If a child lives with jealousy, he learns to feel guilty. If a child lives with encouragement,

he learns to be confident. If a child lives with tolerance, he

learns to be patient. If a child lives with praise, he learns

to be appreciative. If a child lives with acceptance, he

learns to love. If a child lives with approval, he

learns to like himself. If a child lives with recognition, he

learns to have a goal. If a child lives with fairness, he

learns what justice is. If a child lives with honesty, he

learns what truth is. If a child lives with security, he

learns to have faith in himself. If a child lives with friendliness, he learns that the world is a nice place in which to live.

# **SOUTHEASTERN CHILD** CARE ASSOCIATION

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Dr. Walstein W. Snyder, Executive Director of Elon College Home for Children, was the president and elected for the 1968-69 year was

Mr. John Biggerstaff of Savannah, Georgia.

The program this year used the theme, "Planning with the Troubled Child and His Family." The featured speaker was Dr. Kenneth W. Kindelsperger, Dean, the Raymond A. Kent School of Social Work, University of Louisville. Other consultants were Mr. Clifford W. Sanford, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, Mr. Franz X. Kamps, University of Minnesota, and Mrs. Mary Margaret Carr, Family Counseling Service, Atlanta, Georgia.

This association is also affiliated with the Group Child Care Project, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, which is now famous for its child care workshops held each summer. Barium Springs was honored this year to have its Executive Director, Nat K. Reiney, elected to membership on the Board of Directors of the Child Care Project.

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# MY LIFE AT BARIUM



ROSA GUIN

My life at Barium began eight years ago. I was placed in North Cottage where I have remained over the years. The cottage has remained the same, but many people have come and gone since then.

I began working in the dining hall and from there I moved to the dish hall; then to the kitchen. I am now back in the dining room once again. I want to thank all the people that I have worked under for all that they have taught me over the years.

I want to thank Barium for the educational opportunities they have given me also. I entered Troutman School when I came to Barium and this month I will be graduating from South Iredell High School. I plan to enter nursing in the fall in Fayetteville with the help of Bar-

I can't tell you that I have liked everything about the Home, because I haven't. But, I do realize that no matter where you are there will be some things you dislike. So when I balance the things that I like and dislike, I am really going to miss the Home. I feel that Barium has really taught me much about every aspect of life. I would like to thank the entire staff of Barium for all they have done for me. So many of them really mean a lot to me. I would like to espe-cially thank Mr. Frazier. I would never be able to tell anyone just how much this man has done for me. He is the one person in the world who knows me and has helped me to begin to know myself.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the students at Barium. I pray that all of them will stay to see the day that they will be able to write their article for the Messenger. It won't be an easy road, but take it from someone who knows, it is well worth it. Each of you mean a lot to me, so I wish you all the world has to offer.

I will be leaving Barium soon. I want to get out in the world and live my life. But, I also have to say that I know I will be leaving a much loved home

ROSA GUIN



LEONARD UTSMAN

don't exactly remember the first day that I arrived to live here or the reason why because I wasn't but three years old. The only thing I do remember was that I cried all day long. I quickly adjusted to my new environment and though I was stubborn I learned discipline.

Two years later, I returned to live with my parents only to come back after a year because of dif-

It seems like I have lived in about every cottage up here. I have lived in Stowe Cottage, Lees Cottage, Lottie Walker, Jennie Gilmer, and right now I'm living in Caldwell Cottage.

I guess I can be called a Jack of all Trades because I have had numerous jobs. I have worked with the carpenter shop, plumbing shop, the orchard, the kitchen, and recently I have been working with the farm. These jobs will surely benefit me in the future.

What Barium has done for me has been the best training that a lot of children don't get. have brought me up physically and mentally. I don't know how to express my appreciation in words. If I did it would fill a whole page. So I'll end by saying thank you for all you have done. I want to especially thank my houseparent, Mrs. Robinson.

LEONARD UTSMAN

# Spring Time Is Gardening Time

By the time you are reading this the garden should be well along the way. Even as this is being written early in May, the early garden is all up and doing well. This has been an excellent spring so far to do planting. The ground has worked well and the rains have fallen just at the right time.

Already we have eaten early items such as onions, mustard greens, radishes, etc. Strawberries are now ripening and it appears we will have an excellent crop, both



NANCY FINLEY

In January of 1954, I came to Barium at the age of three. Being so young, naturally I was lost. But my new housemother, Mrs. Thaggard, at the Baby Cottage, made me feel at home. I stayed in the Baby Cottage until I started school, when I moved to Howard Cottage. Later I moved to Rumple Hall and began working in the dining room. Since then, I have lived in Goodman Cottage, and am now in North Cottage. I have also worked in the office and the kitchen.

I attended school on the campus my first four years. The year I entered the fifth grade, we started at Troutman School. I went to Troutman until last year when we consolidated at South Iredell High School.

All I have known is my life at Barium. It has been a richly fulfilling life. Of course I have had my ups and downs, but now that I am a senior, and look back over the years, it makes me sad to realize that it is coming to a close so quickly. Barium is my home, and I can't express my gratitude to everyone for everything they have done for me.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize one person in particular. This man has shown me what it really means to live life to its fullest. He has helped me realize who I am, and how to do my best in any situation. I would like to pay tribute to Mr. Earle Frazier.

I extend my deepest thanks to Mr. Frazier, and all the wonderful people who have made my life what it is today, and who have brought me to graduation.

NANCY FINLEY

for fresh fruit and to freeze for later use.

It may interest you that we are still eating corn, string beans, squash and several other items which were frozen in the summer of 1967. Barring some unforeseen calamity our freezers should again be filled to capacity. Also, our potato crop, both Irish and sweet varieties, are well on the way and should again fill the potato house for fall and winter use.

# SENIORS...

This issue will complete the introduction of our five seniors. They will be graduated from South Iredell High School at the end of May. We trust you have read with interest the articles each of them have written for the Messenger.

On Thursday, May 2nd, the staff honored all five of them along with Sharon Gilmore, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gilmore, members of the staff, who is also a graduate. Cottage parents and other staff provided a delicious luncheon at the "Hub". They had barbecued a pig and provided all the trimmings each senior was presented a gift suitable for the occasion. A good time was enjoyed by all.

As you will gather from the articles which each senior has written, they have all about completed

their plans for the near future. Nancy Finley will be enrolled at Montreat-Anderson College with a major in secretarial work; Sylvia Bush will be attending Mitchell College; Rosa Guin wants to pursue a course in nursing and will do this at Cumberland County Technical School; Gene Williamson will enroll at Pembroke State College and major in business administration; Leonard Utsman will join the Naval Reserve and in the fall go into the Navy.

It is always sad to see a group of young people all of us have enjoyed graduate, yet we know that this is just another milestone for them along the path of life. Certainly all of our readers and supporters join with us in wishing for each of them the very best. Congratulations Seniors!

#### CAMP FUND

Already we have registered a group of children for summer camp. About half will go in the month of June and the remainder in July. In addition to the church camps other recreation and wholesome camp experiences are being planned for the summer.

Some individuals and church groups have begun to send in gifts

to make all this possible. We simply want to say again that your contributions to this fund are especially appreciated since this is not a budgeted item and thus is only made possible for the children

by your special interest.
You may be sure that a child will benefit. Gifts of any amount are acceptable and most appreciated.

# CAMP FUND

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South Iredell High School held its Junior-Senior Prom on Moy the 10th which was attended by these girls. Left to right: Bonnie Brown, Debbie Kennedy, Rosa Guin, Sylvia Bush, and Noncy Finley.

Due to the illness of our minister, Mr. Earle P. Barron, this months article is contributed by Rev. B. E. Dotson of Carthage Presbyterian Church, Carthage, North Carolina, and a member of our Board of Regents.

# GOOD NEWS FOR SOME

The good news is that God cares. That he is in complete control and has a plan for the good of his people. He cares enough that his plan includes forgiveness and bringing us back from running our way rather than trusting his way. He cares enough to forgive us through His Son,

This is good news for those who love God and want to follow His Son, Jesus the Christ. It is bad news for those who want their way and want to trust themselves for life eternal.

Life is good news if we believe that God has a plan for His world, if we believe history is "His-story," that it is "God's-story." It is good news that God saw His people, Israel, in slavery in Egypt and sent Moses to lead them, that God opened and closed the Red Sea, fed the people in the wilderness 40 years and defeated 7 nations in Canaan to give Israel a free land flowing with prosperity. It was God that gave them judges and prophets and kings to lead and protect them.

The stoics believe life goes in cycles and each is destroyed and another cycle begins just to end in destruction. Many people see life today as a repetition of sin and mistakes by mankind. The Christian view is more optimistic. We see life with a purpose and a plan given and guided by an Almighty Father who cares.

The Christian trusts God's plan when his wife or child is taken by death. The young couple sees God's loving care sending them a handicapped child to draw them closer to Himself. Life is good news to those who see a sun-darkened Friday followed by a sun-filled Easter. Life is good news to the farmer who has a crop failure, but can say "God does not settle all his accounts in October."

But life is bad news if we are left to chance and man's ability alone.

Life is good news to those who see the central figure in history, "Hisstory," even Jesus Christ as the answer for our past sins, rebelliousness, selfishness, and mistakes, if we see Christ as the answer for all the future as we follow Him who is "the way, the truth, and the life."

It is good news to know that Christ does for us what we cannot do for ourselves-forgives us, guards us in temptations, and guides us in "the paths of righteousness."

We have tried and failed so many times to be the people we ought to be so we can say "a drowning man needs a life raft, not a book of instructions on swimming." The prisoner of war looks not for rules on military tactics, but for the Allies to conquer the enemy and give freedom.

It is good news for those who will let Jesus give us freedom, cleanse us from our deep constant sense of guilt, fear, hate, resentment, worry, greed, and the desire for the approval of man more than the approval

When we learn to swim, we learn to trust the water to hold us. If we fearfully thrash it we drown. If we trust the water, our strokes become smoother and our swimming improves. If we try to earn our righteousness, our right relation to God and man, we drown ourselves in self righteousness and get further and further from that humility and trust that lets Christ forgive and help us live for Him and for others.

It is good news to those who love God to believe that His plan 1s "for the good of all who love Him", but bad news to those who love themselves more than they love Christ. It is good news to those willing to die to self and live to Christ.

To those at Antioch in Pasidia who heard Paul's message, believed it, and begged for more the next Sabbath, it was good news. To them it meant release from guilt, inadequacies, materialism, war, injustices, fear, and selfishness. To them it meant loving fellowship with God and people. If meant they could say with Paul "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.

But it was bad news to those in Antioch of Pasidia who were jealous of Jesus and ran him out of town, those who wanted their own popularity and their own way most.

The Gospel is bad news to those who want to earn their religious honors, those who seek their own end, those whose pride prohibits humility, whose selfishness prohibits love, whose getting prohibits giving, whose business prohibits fellowship with Christ. But the message that God cares enough to help us is good news to all who in humble adoration and trust, love Him.

# **Teens Camping Tour** Of The West

Mr. C. Peter Cole, a member of our Child Care Staff, has organized and will direct the "Teens Camping Tour of the West" for the second time this summer. Mr. Cole came to Barium a little over two years ago upon graduation from the Col-

# Alumni News

Born to Jane (Webb) and Gary Lee Brown on April 4 at Davis Hospital, a daughter, Carmen Elizabeth.

Gail Nance, a student at East Carolina, spent Easter holidays with her parents.

A short article appeared in Goldsboro recently concerning Leland Rogers' Furniture Store. is among the largest in Eastern North Carolina. It covers 25,000 square feet on the ground floor. This was established in 1955. Lee got his start as a used furniture dealer. He has an attractive way of displaying his furniture and seeks unusual ways to inform the public about his merchandise. He gained fame a few years ago when he gave a couple a wedding in the store with everything furnished."

Richard Lee Spencer, son of Lee and Rachel Spencer, was chosen April's Boy of the Month at D. Matt Thompson School. He is President of the Youth Group in Oakland Presbyterian Church. D. Matt he was right end in football and forward in basketball. He also plays trombone in the band and is a Beta Club member and sports editor for the school newspaper.

Pleas Norman was in charge of the first annual Art Exhibit sponsored by Northwestern Bank and Statesville's Artist's Guild held on April 27th.

Pleas sang at the last meeting of the McDowell Music Club. After being with the Northwestern Bank for the past four years, he will be with Normans, Inc. selling mobile homes.

Ray Norman lives in Dallas. He works for Western Electric. Ray, Jr., is an Eagle Scout and organist in his church.

After spending his leave at Barium Percy Utsman reported to Ft. Dix and from there will go to

Royce Harris visited Barium recently. He completed his basic training at Ft. Bragg and is now at Ft. McClelland, Alabama.

Bernice Stone Thompson's husband, Willard Thompson, died Saturday, April 27th. Bernice and Willard have lived in Charlotte for the past five years. Bernice works in one of the banks and Willard was supervisor in the sweet roll department of Southern Bakery.

Chuck Gallyon, son of Charles Gallyon, was recipient of the North Iredell School Achievement Award for his service as athletic manager.

Martha Nell Hall Steadman is working at North Carolina National Bank in Fayetteville as a proof machine operator in Proof Department. Her husband is employed with Tasco Industries, Inc. have two boys, Billy Ray and Rob-

Dick Martin was elected President of the Boosters Club at Statesville Senior High School.

lege of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. In addition to his responsibilities on the Child Care Staff, he is employed by the Iredell Vocational Workshop as a counselor, and the Statesville Travel Agency as a consultant for clients touring the United States and Europe, making him uniquely qualified to undertake this venture.

The tour, as Cole envisions it, is an intensified experience leading to one's involvement with others, awareness of surroundings, and in living. The senses will be keyed to discovery, not only a great country's majesty, its proud people, its productiveness, and its creativity, but keyed toward the vital discovery of oneself.

Participation is open to all young people between the age of 13 to 19, who through their letter of introduction, letters of recommendation, and interview demonstrates enthusiasm, the ability to get along with others, understanding, and po-tential for self-realization. "Selected candidates for the tour," Cole adds, "possess that certain twinkle in the eye of one who is unmistakenably in love with life. As in the selection of teen participants, every attempt is made to secure highly qualified unit leaders and assistants. In most cases teachers are utilized who have proven their ability to form interpersonal relationships with young people in a classroom situation. The ratio of participant to leader is an outstanding three to one.
The tour will begin at Barium

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Springs, and for three weeks will, by two Volkswagen buses, camp its way through America's most breathtaking sights — the Great Smokies, St. Louis, Garden of the Gods, the Great Sand Dunes, Mesa Verde, Grand Canyon, Disneyland, Hollywood, San Francisco, Yosemite, Las Vegas, Zion, Bryce Canyon, the Great Salt Lake, the snow capped Grand Tetons, Yellowstone, Mount Rushmore, the Badlands, and Chicago. If that is not exciting enough, there is always the mule ride down the Grand Canvon. a float trip down the Snake River in the Tetons, or the Passion Play in South Dakota.

The cost of the tour which will include transportation, lodging, and meals with the exception of the day at Disneyland and the morning in San Francisco is \$225.00.

Although the Peter Cole "Teens Camping Tour of the West" not a part of the regular Barium Springs program, we do highly recommend it.

Additional information is available and may be secured by contacting Mr. C. Peter Cole in care of the Home.

# HOMECOMING

# August 11th **Barium Springs**

Cordial Welcome To All Alumni

Bring Your Family — Picnic Lunch

Plans Are For A Wonderful Day

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The term special services includes a variety of things—this variety gives spice to living and enjoyment. The reason for having this department is to be of help to you in the churches to keep you better informed about the work that is being done. This can be accomplished through correspondence and visits, and someone on the staff visiting you. There are projects we can suggest; and many ways you can be of help to us.

We want you to be involved and informed. If you have not had a representative from Barium speak in your church for some time give us an opportunity to afford one to

There are any number of projects, small and large, we can sug-We are never too busy to answer any question, make suggestions or be your hostess for a visit.

One of the best ways to be informed is to visit and see first hand what is being done and meet mempers of the staff and the boys and girls. We would like to make arangements for you for a visit. If ou would like to have a meal in he dining room let us know in idvance. During the school months we do not serve lunch in the dining com during the week but would be glad to have you on Saturday or Sunday for lunch. If you plan to ome on Sunday we will be happy o have you worship with us. We an take care of as many as 20-25 n the dining room for a meal. If it uits better to come during the veek, bring a sandwich and we will ave a drink and dessert for you. you would like to have your ircle meeting here, we would make hat arrangement. Recent visitors ave come from Ahoskie, Bunn evel, Flat Branch, North Wilkesoro, Lincolnton, Gastonia First Church In The Pines and Cary. By ne way, some may not know where Barium is. It is located four miles outh of Statesville on Highway 21. his is the highway from Statesille to Charlotte.

For years, groups and individuals ave contributed to the clothing und and shown a special interest 1 a particular child. Others have ontributed to the general clothing and which is good. We are grateal for your interest and appreciate Il gifts. Recently lamps, draperies, uilts and books have been given. There are boys and girls who eed a friend away from the camus and you could be involved in his way.

We have set up an allowance nd by which each boy and girl reives a regular amount each week. This item is not included in the budget, and we are grateful for you who have contributed in this way. We can use any amount that

It is a wonderful experience for boys and girls to attend a church camp. We usually send around fifty to the different camps. This item is not included in our budget and we would like to thank all who have contributed to the camp fund.

There are special times and special occasions in which you can help. This many of you have done in a wonderful way at Christmas.

Each month you can gain information through reading the Barium Messenger. If you are not on our mailing list, send us your name, address and zip code. Through this medium you will be able to keep up with current happenings, activities, plans and progress that is being made.

The alumni are an integral part in any organization and we are proud of the association. We look forward to having you visit us. Drop in for a short visit or make a long one. We enjoy our contacts with you. Help us keep our mailing list up to date. Please send us items of you or your family for the alumni news. We have been happy to have helped some of you in get ting your birth certificate, social security and sending transcripts of grades. If we can be of any service to you, please let us know.

We will soon be making plans for Homecoming. Mark your calendar and make your plans now for August 11th. If you have ideas how we can make it a better day, let us have them.

I would like to invite any of the alumni to a tea on June 9th from 3:00-6:00 P. M. at my apartment. Let me hear from you.

Through correspondence, we have kept you in the church informed about the program the church has to offer for the benefit of the boys and girls, and their families. We know that when you know, you will support the fine program. We, as you, believe in Barium, and are grateful for the opportunity to serve you.

REMEMBER AUGUST 11TH-HOMECOMING.



# Board of Regents Meets

The semi-annual meeting of the Board of Regents was held on April 17 and 18 at the Home, Attendance was good; and, the Board came together in Committees on the 17th and then in full session on the 18th. Most of the business of the Agency comes to the Board through the various committees which have considered reports and proposals and have come with reports for information as well as recommendations for action.

The treasurer's report was given by Mr. Shepherd Speight, Jr. He reviewed the receipts and expenditures for the first half of the fiscal year and gave other information regarding financial items of interest to the Board. While income for this period was slightly less than for the comparable period of the previous year, he indicated to the Board that expenditures were in line and that if contributions held up to normal for the last half of the year the Home should finish the year in the black.

The Board heard a report from the Long Range Planning Committee which presented a detailed paper on the results of the Questionnaire mailed to pastors concerning the needs pastors find with families and young people in trouble and (These findings will be difficulty. (These findings will be published in an early issue of the Messenger for all our readers.) The Board has already found that information learned in this effort will aid them greatly in future planning.

Several items of importance came to the Board for action. Of particular interest to the children was the agreement between Little Joe's Presbyterian Church and the Board to seek funds among individuals who have a special interest in Barium Springs to build an educational building addition to the church. At present the only place the children, and for that matter, staff and community members, have as a Sunday School plant is the old elementary school building. It is far removed from the church and in a very poor physical condition, and, even if well located, the cost of repair and renovation would be out of the question.

The Post Office department came to the Board with a request for an enlargement of the current post office building located on Barium property. After considering the matter it was agreed that such would be a good investment in the way of rent. Thus, out of unrestricted capital funds, it was agreed to build a new structure of design to meet specifications of the Post Office department.

Probably the most exciting proposal before the Board was the recommendation to operate a demonstration or model Day Care Center. The Center would provide day care for 50-60 children in the States-ville-Troutman area. Only children from low socio-economic level families ranging in age in the beginning from 2-5 years. It would be educationally oriented with nursery and kindergarten programs well staffed and organized. Housing would be on the Barium campus in a building which can be made available across the highway from the main campus. Such a program would fit well in our family oriented emphasis and would really be a strong effort to be a small part of the great need to help break the cycle in which so many of our children get caught.

While plans are not complete and much remains yet to be decided, this program would be another step in the Agency's effort to be of real help as child and family care consultants to the local Church. Such a model program would hopefully not only demonstrate to the Church that a real need exists but provide consultation to those wishing to offer a similar program in their own local community.

Many other long range goals are envisioned for the program, to say nothing of the benefits provided the 50-60 children who would be a part of the program.

One other decision of a physical nature will be of great help to the Home's operation. It was decided to renovate a building not in use as a new infirmary location and to demolish the old infirmary built in 1916. This change in the physical plant will remove the last old twostory building on the west half of the campus where the children live.

The only member of the Board retiring this year is Mr. W. H. Stanley from the First Presbyterian Church of Rocky Mount. Mr. Stanley has served well on the budget and finance committee of the Board and will be greatly missed. Mr. William C. Thacker is beginning his second year as President of the Board. Taking office as the new Secretary is Mrs. John Nance of Fayetteville.

# PLACE MATS

Why not dress up your dinner meeting at the Church with a Barium Springs place mat? We keep on hand a quantity all the time and will send them to you without charge, postpaid.

These mats are excellent for family night suppers, noon luncheons of the Women of the Church and Men of the Church suppers. They are nice enough for any occasion. In addition to the practical value, a message is printed on them thus enabling members of the church to be better informed about this important mission.

Just write us telling us how many you can use for any occasion and we will post them to you promptly.

# Good News From The Orchard

Last year it was bad news with nearly a total failure on peaches and a smaller than usual crop of apples. However, this year, thankfully, it's a different story. Mr. Woodrow Clendenin, the orchard manager, is worried about getting enough help to harvest the crop. He advises that this is truly bumper crop of both. So, we would advise all friends of Barium to head this way come July and load up on peaches; and, then, when September arrives, there will be plenty of apples for everyone.

As we have reported to you in the past, it has been the decision of the Board to slightly expand the apple orchard. In the past two years 625 new dwarf apple trees have been set. These have been about three-fourths red delicious and one-fourth yellow delicious.

The two and one-half acre vineyard has done well. The first fruit will be gathered this year from some varieties of Concord grapes. By another year a full crop should bé reaped.

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# Results of Pastor's Questionnaire

# Foreword

The Board of Regents and the Executive Staff at Barium Springs are continually making studies and reviewing its program. This, as all would understand, is done to be better prepared to meet the needs of children and families that are referred to them for help.

Two questions remain uppermost in the planning at all times—

- (1) What are we doing?
- (2) How efficient is our effort?

In November, 1967, the Long Range Planning Committee of the Board brought a recommendation relative to a questionnaire to be mailed to ministers within the Synod for their completion. It was felt that the results obtained from such would be another resource available to the Board in its planning process.

We are pleased that 60%, or 273, pastors responded to the poll. To them we are most grateful.

Following is printed the original questionnaire along with the tabulated results.

# THE QUESTIONNAIRE

- I. In your role as pastor you undoubtedly are faced with problems of children and parents in your congregation and in your community. Would you please indicate below the *number of times* during the past two years that these specific problems were brought to your attention for your help or advice?
  - A family lacking finances to provide its own minimum needs.
  - A family experiencing serious marital discord, but not having made up their mind to separate.
  - 3. A couple with children who has just separated, is about to do so, or is seeking divorce.
  - Parents seeking specialized help in understanding and dealing with their child or children.
  - A childless couple wanting help and information about adoption.
  - A parent or relatives seeking placement away from home for children.
  - 7. A family which faces the loss of a parent due to terminal physical illness, mental illness, or imprisonment.
  - 8. An unmarried girl or boy about to become a parent.
  - 9. A teen-ager who is seriously unhappy at home, unsuccessful in school, and needs special help or care.
  - A family needing day-time care for children while the mother works.
  - A need for short-time care for children during a parent's temporary absence.
  - 12. A teen-age delinquent who is facing legal action, is in, or is just out of a training school.
  - 13. A family in which alcoholism is a serious problem.
  - 14. Any other family problem (specify):
- II. Would you consider the social services in your community to be:

adequate?

inadequate?

able to handle some problems but lacking certain needed resources?

Comments:

Comments

III. If professionally competent staff and adequate resources were available, what kind or kinds of service having to do with family life would be of the greatest help to you and the people you serve?

Comments:

IV. Classify your church as to size and location:

Located in Piedmont section

Located east of Raleigh

Located in a rural area

Located in downtown of city exceeding 50,000 population

Located in city of 50,000 or more population

Church with 1000 or more members

Church with 200 to 1000 members

Church less than 200 members.

Thanks!

# RESULTS

Two hundred and seventy-three pastors, or more than 60% of those polled responded to a questionnaire asking them for their experience of being asked for help and advice during the past two years on certain specific family problems. A remarkable feature of this study was the number of instances reported. Three pastors returned the form blank because they could not estimate their contacts, or were new in the ministry. Of the remaining 270,

6 or 2% reported no contacts

55 or 20% reported from 1 - 9 contacts

173 or 65% reported from 10-49 contacts

36 or 13% reported more than 50 contacts

The greatest number of contacts reported was 596. However, for purposes of tabulation, any one pastor's contact with any one problem was limited to 20. This was to avoid heavy overweighing of a particular problem by a single minister who might be particularly interested in it. Thus one minister of a church of under 200 members reported 100 cases of serious alcoholism and another 70 cases of children in trouble with the law. Arbitrary and rather conservative values had to be given to such statements as "many", "every day", "several" or "hundreds".

Even with this very limited accounting the 270 pastors reported 7,839 instances of these problems coming to their attention, an average of 29 per minister. This compares with an average of 20 contacts per pastor in a similar study made this year of more than 500 Methodist ministers. However, in that study alcoholism was omitted as a specific problem (it was mentioned by 10% of Methodists as a problem other than those listed), and in the Presbyterian group it accounted for 4 contacts per minister.

Pastors were also asked to indicate the geographical location, type of community and size of their churches. Of 261 ministers whose geographical location was reported, or who gave no location but answered the other two questions— these were presumed not to be located in either the Piedmont or east of Raleigh—little difference was found in the number of contacts reported. One hundred and seventy-five Piedmont pastors reported an average of 31 contacts apiece, 61 pastors east of Raleigh

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# Alumni News

Born to Mac and Virginia McClure of Macon, Georgia, early in May, a daughter, Jennifer Bonner.

Judy (Steen) and Wilson Bush and their baby visited on the campus recently.

Jerry Florence from Burlington was a recent visitor on the campus.

Graham Blake made a short visit to Barium. He and his wife live in Durham.

Word has come from the Commanding Officer at Great Lakes, Illinois, informing us that Seaman Recruit Alfred Koonce Blake had been selected to receive the "American Spirit Honor Medal" which is awarded by the Citizens Committee for the Army, Navy and Air Force, Inc., and which is presented to the one recruit who displayed outstanding qualities of leadership and high example to Comrades-in-Arms during his training period. He will receive the medal at the Recruit Graduation Review on Friday, June 7, 1968.

An invitation has been received to the marriage of Susan Elizabeth Talmage to David Lee Spencer on Saturday, the twenty-second of June in the Collingswood Presbyterian Church, Collingswood, New Jersey. David received his degree at commencement from Maryville College in June.

Carl Farmer, son of Dorothy and Nelson Farmer, left May 27th for the Navy Medical Corps.

Angus Medlin graduated Friday night, May 31st from Maxton High School.

Bobbie Spencer is President of the Women of the Church at Cleveland, Tennessee. Ralph is director of Youth Work at the Church.

Braxton Bridgers and his wife visited Barium, They live at Layton, Utah.

On May 26th Ted Cole, brother of Ed and Fred, died in Salisbury.

Mr. T. L. O'Kelly died May 23rd in Maxton.

Bobby Utsman and his wife were at Barium for commencement.

Percy Utsman and Jim Hoover have gone to Vietnam.

Jim Kiser is working in the Personnel Department of the P. Lorillard Company in Greensboro.

# Thank You!

A need has been met by the Alumni Association. We are grateful for the signs that mark the different cottages. These are of redwood with the names cut in the wood and filled with very fine crushed glass. The signs show up at night as well as during the day. There is no reason for anyone not finding their way to the different cottages now. We are grateful to the Alumni Association for this wonderful gift.

# THE MARKS OF A MAN

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

One editor of a man's magazine asked a rival editor what a typical male magazine reader should look like. "What in short is a man?" he wanted to know.

"Well," the other fellow said, "I think I'd describe him this way. He is roughly six feet two inches tall, weighs somewhere around 190 pounds, has a strong jawline, plenty of his own hair, and wears levis, field boots, and an open neck flannel shirt."

Advertising agencies and Hollywood productions testify that most people have the same concept as the magazine editor. The "men of distinction" are usually successful persons with strong, goodlooking features, and some sort of exploit to their credit. But are these necessarily the true marks of a man?

Let's take the matter of he-man looks. Nothing is more deceiving than outward appearances. Yet young girls dream of tall, giant gods with thick dark hair, of sculptered, Greek profiles, and of dark penetrating eyes, lighted with mystery and romance. Young men envy the muscular forearm, broad chests and shoulders and wish frantically for bulging and rippling muscles. If these be the marks of a man, unfortunately, there aren't many such men around.

The Good Book recalls that the first king of Israel was a man of outstanding appearance. He was head and shoulders above everyone else in the nation. He was handsome, and his good looks drew both men and women to his side. But Saul was no man. He was a whimpering baby that became so enamoured of himself that he forgot the good of the nation and the people, thought only of Saul until finally he acted more like a wild beast than a man, and ultimately died of a self-inflicted wound. Looks don't make a man.

The wise, old Samuel was inclined to make this mistake when sent to choose one of Jesse's sons to fill Saul's place. When Jesse brought the oldest and best looking forward, Samuel was immediately ready to annoint him king. But the Lord said to Samuel, "Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart."

Jesus of Nazareth was not outstanding in appearance. By looks He probably could not be distinguished from the other men of His station. However, the closer one got to Him personally the more one was impressed by the inner beauty of character.

Many today feel that sexual vigor and conquest are the true marks of a man. There are always some who are ready to boast of their promiscuous affairs, of their excessive virility, of how they have proved their power.

Such boasters really are in doubt about their masculinity or otherwise they would feel no need to convince others by their boasting. And in their experience all they have proved is that they are a male animal of the human species.

Love plays a part in demonstrating a real man, but it is more of the kind of love of Joseph. He proved his manhood, not the way Potiphar's wife had in mind, but by standing firm in His love and obedience to God. He answered all of her pleas with the simple statement, "how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?" As a result he was cast into prison, but even the prison did not dim the mark of his vigorous love for his God.

This is the same sort of agape exhibited by Jesus who was willing to give His life for us in order to demonstrate what real love is.

We have a tendency to idolize the big league players as the league of big men. Their pitching records, their batting averages, their fielding reports—all these records of excellence in athletics impress themselves upon our minds.

Well, does the fact that a man exhibits athletic prowess mark him as a man? Jacob and Esau were brothers. Esau was the athlete of the family. Because of this he was the most loved by his father. Esau spent the day hunting and fishing. He was quite the sportsman. But for all of his athletic ability he did not act very mature. When hungry he was willing to sell his birthright for a pot of beans, and when Isaac blessed Jacob instead of him he planned to kill his brother.

The real man will have one mark of the athlete—his fighting spirit. The real man will not necessarily have large muscles, but he will have a large trust in God. He may not take calisthenics all the time, but he will have a faith that he exercises every day. He will need the athlete's stamina, too, for he will have a hard game to play. He will need the courage of the athlete, too. Many times his undertakings will seem to be more than he can handle. Often life will seem to be too much for him, but his courage will carry him on if he is a real man.

Hear Paul, small in size. weak in body, frail in appearance, as he lays hold of that fighting spirit. "Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended; but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

You don't think Jesus had that fighting spirit! Look at Him battling Satan in the wilderness. See Him face the ridicule and sarcasm of the religious Jeaders. Watch Him face the angry mob. Notice His courage and bravery before Pilate. Observe Him bear the weight of the cross to Calvary. See Him refuse to fall to defeat, and then watch as against all odds His hard time is turned to victory over death and the grave. He is the real Man.

# RESULTS OF PASTOR'S QUESTIONNAIRE

(Continued From Page 1) reported 29, and 25 others averaged 22. In terms of size of community there was considerably more difference, as follows:

- 21 churches in the downtown of a city of more than 50,000 averaged 59 contacts
- 101 churches in smaller towns averaged 32 contacts
- 65 suburban churches in cities of more than 50,000 averaged 28 contacts
- 74 rural churches averaged 18 contacts.

Size of church had a similar spread:

- 19 churches of over 1000 averaged 63 contacts
- 139 churches with 200 1000 members averaged 30 contacts
- 96 churches of less than 200 averaged 22 contacts.

Because of differences in reporting the percentage of ministers who report contacts with a problem is probably more of a guide to its prevalence than is the number of contacts recorded. The problems are therefore presented in that order.

Table I. Number and Percentage of Pastors Reporting a Problem; Number of Contacts and Rank in Number of Contacts per Problem.

	PROBLEM	No. of Postors	%	No. of Contocts	of Contacts
	Total	270	100	7,839	
1.	Serious alcoholism	239	89	1,041	2
2.	Serious marital discord	231	86	1,044	1
3.	Financial need	205	76	979	3
4.	Parents seeking help with children	201	74	941	4
5.	Separation and divorce	190	70	480	8
6.	A seriously unhappy teen-ager	185	68	584	6
7.	Family facing loss of a parent	176	65	538	7
8.	Illegitimate pregnancy	149	55	364	9
9.	Childless couple wanting adoption	144	53	300	11
10.	Family needing day care	136	50	739	5
11.	Child in trouble with law	112	42	257	12
12.	Parent or relative seeking				
	placement for child	94	35	170	13
13.	Need for temporary care for child	85	32	301	10
14.	Other problems	38	14	101	14

This list corresponds very closely with that compiled from Methodist returns, with the exception of the concern about alcoholism (a "write-in" on the Methodist form). It gives precedence to matters of marital and child-parent relationships and the need for counselling. It places illegitimate pregnancies and adoption slightly higher than do the Methodists. It is also in general agreement with a recent study of needs in North Carolina made by school personnel, social workers, mental health personnel, and public health workers which put counselling services in the forefront of social needs.

Rather little difference was found between churches of different location, community setting and size. Those in the Piedmont and those east of Raleigh show a positive correlation of 0.94 in percentage of ministers involved (on Pearson's rank coefficient) and 0.88 in numbers of contacts. One item alone shows a significant difference—illegitimate pregnancies rate five places higher in number of contacts in the east.

Similar correlations are found in the size of the community. Rural communities see rather less parents seeking help in understanding their children and rather more families threatened with the loss of a parent. They also account for the top billing for problems of alcoholism. Without them alcoholism would rate behind marital discord. Inner-city churches see rather less children in conflict with the law. Small-town churches see more financial need. Possibly the only significant community difference is in the number of parents in suburban churches who seek specialized help in understanding their children. These churches put this first in number of contacts.

Size of church also does not produce much significant difference. Large and small churches show a  $\pm 0.95$  rank correlation in numbers of contacts on each problem. Small churches, however, report a higher proportion of alcoholism (15% rather than 13% of all contacts) and somewhat less need for day-care. Large churches place this second in number of contacts but only seventh in percentage of ministers reporting, as against 5th and 10th in all churches.

Ministers were also asked to report on the adequacy of social services in their community. Of 257 replying, 73 or 28% thought them adequate, 64 or 24% thought them inadequate, and 121 or 48% "able to handle some problems but lacking needed resources." Here, however, there were marked regional and community differences. Of those committing themselves either to "adequate" or "inadequate", 61% in the Piedmont thought them adequate but only 28% east of Raleigh. Similarly, 75% of ministers in or in the suburbs of large cities thought them adequate, but only 42% of those in small towns and 43% of those in rural areas. A few answers were somewhat surprising. One thought the services adequate but noted that there was no child welfare worker in the county and one clear-

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ly disapproved of all social services. Another felt that child-care services encouraged parents to give up their children.

Large and small churches did not differ significantly in their estimate of social services.

Not very many ministers responded to a question about services needed in their communities. Those who did voted overwhelmingly for counselling services to families. Answers in this category mentioned the need for

Marital counselling 53 times
Mental health counselling 26 times
Family life education 23 times
Child guidance 20 times
Economic counselling 12 times
Group therapy 5 times
Vocational guidance 2 times

for a total of 140 suggestions out of 232 made, or 60% of the answers. In addition 19 pastors who were undertaking counselling duties themselves asked for professional guidance, or more help in identifying resources. Significantly only 19 suggested specific help for alcoholics.

Among other specific services mentioned were

Day care	21	times
Services for the retarded	6	times
Homemaker service	5	times
Care for the aged	5	times
Foster home care	4	times

adoption, recreation, care for unwed mothers, temporary care, and temporary financial help were mentioned once each.

Others sought specifics for suicides (2), narcotic addicts (2), abandonment, prison terms, housing and general poverty (1 each). Three pastors complained that people would not use available services; a few answered this question in terms of the moral change they saw as necessary in their communication.

Regional, community and size of church differences are hard to estimate accurately in that less than half of the pastors answered the question. However, there was pro portionately more demand for child guidance and mental health services from the Piedmont and from middle-sized churches, much more demand for professional help from the same two groups, more request for help with alcoholism from rural churches. Nearly all the requests for day care came from rural or small-town churches, and nearly all from the Piedmont. Big city churches made few suggestions. So did churches of less than 200 members. In fact 96 such churches made only 21 suggestions while 139 middle-sized ones made 153, about 5 times as many proportion-



In a program that is committed to adequately meeting the needs of children, new ways and concepts are constantly being sought. The group homes are providing a new resource, where the values, and responsibilities of community living are realized.

The philosophy of child care at Barium Springs is to give the best care possible to the children who find this agency as their "home away from home." For this reason there is a periodic review of the children, in an effort to improve the program to meet their need more adequately. Some need group placement in cottages on campus; some need foster family care; others need adoption. In some cases there is a need for financial assistance and casework services to children and families through our Mothers-Aid Program. To strengthen these existing services and be persistent in our efforts to find new and better ways is our constant aim, and is basic to the periodic review mentioned above.

During the Summer and Fall of 1966 the campus population was evaluated in terms of their peer relationships on campus, at school, and the community in general. Note was taken of the reason for placement, campus adjustment, progress in school, degree of disturbance, interests, hobbies, etc. At that time there were 61 junior and senior high age boys and girls on campus (30 boys and 31 girls). Of this number there were twenty (8 girls and 12 boys) who because of their record profile may use to great advantage a resource not at that time available to them. It was at this point that the initial thinking was begun for the group home program. This was envisioned as an additional resource and an expansion of the program, in no way limiting or reducing the work being done on campus.

The need for the group homes being firmly established, much remained to be done before it could become a reality. There were the technical aspects of geographical locations and housing. Surveys were made of communities and school systems that would provide the best possible community living experience for these young people. After careful study Charlotte was selected for the girls and Concord for the boys; both within the 50 mile radius of campus guideline.

#### The Groups Move

In the summer of 1967 the program had moved to the point of needing to know specifically who would be living in the group home setting. After individual discussions with each of the previously selected group, there were six girls and four boys who decided they would like to move into the homes. These groups were then involved in some of the cleaning, washing windows, etc., and on August 31, 1967, the boys moved into their new home. The girls moved two days later, September 2.

For these two groups, the move into the community was one with many ambivalent feelings. First, there was the need to hold on to the security and protection of living in a large institutional setting with the familiar every day routine. Opposite to this was the desire to be in a more relaxed, less structured community setting. With this move would go pressure for greater individual responsibility for establishing the home in such manner as to be positively received by the neighborhood. Here the opportunity would be presented to develop more self confidence in community relationships and in part-time work experiences.

Earning money provides experience for learning the value of money and working with a budget. Though the agency retains the basic support there are personal items desired that give motivation for a savings account.

Schools were selected that have strong emphasis on vocational curriculum. Many children come into our care who because of family situations, beyond their control, are behind in their academic progress. This may be caused by frequent family moves and many school changes, school absences, inadequate parents, etc. To help meet this need was a primary factor in school selection. In the schools they attended while on campus these vocational courses were not available to them.

#### The Staff

The most important factor in having an effective program is obtaining capable and competent staff who can manage successfully the day by day responsibilities, and maintain a positive relationship with each one, and the group as a whole. This is no easy assignment and requires people who find their reward in the caring and guidance of young people through some difficult growing up years. The effectiveness of the program speaks for itself in terms of the capabilities of the staff persons. Though the husbands continue with their work in the community, they are a vital part of the over-all program.

#### Group "Activities"

The following is given for the interest of the readers from those who know the groups best; the people who live and work with them.

"We would like to express our gratitude for the opportunity to be houseparents of the lovely girls from Barium Springs. Since September 2. 1967, our lives have been filled with happiness. Our lives seemed empty since our only daughter had married. We needed

something to replace the fulfillment we had known when she was with us. This seemed like the ideal opportunity to have the large family we had always wanted. Our 'daughters' have accepted Brenda and she is thrilled to have them as her 'sisters.' We are so thankful to have the girls with us. We have become one big happy family, and believe me there is never a dull moment. We have our little problems like any other family, and like the average family they are solved with love and understanding.

"Recently one of 'our daughters' attended the Junior-Senior Prom. She simply looked gorgeous. This gave us the insight to look forward to the days ahead when each one will be walking down the aisle to accept the holy bonds of matrimony.

"We enjoy the fellowship of the Plaza Presbyterian Church and we live in a marvelous neighborhood.

"Our parents were excited at the thought of these new 'grandchildren' over night. They love the girls very much and the girls love them in return.

"Three of the girls attend Garinger High School and two attend Eastway Junior High. We will soon have a cosmetologist in our home, and who knows, someday we may even have a Miss America."

The Bradleys

"Adjustment is a big word for some folks, for others a big task. Adjusting to surroundings, people, communities, church or just anything is somewhat more difficult for teenagers. People, especially grown-ups, have to be understood, analyzed, tested and tried to see if they are true blue. These things are rough on a guy sometimes. We have experienced these problems here at home with the boys.

"Fitts and Co. is what we're called here, having arrived at this name from a Christmas card we received from a young lady on our street. Fitts and Co., we feel, have adjusted to each other without any visible signs of wear or tear. Sometimes we've wondered how we tolerated each other and how we have survived. We have though.

Being able to understand each other and really trying to do so has been the leading factor here in our lives. Our being able to relate to one another, in most cases, has been a help in ironing out any misunderstanding we encountered. If you've never moved in bag and baggage with a bunch of strangers after having casually chatted with them a few minutes you just can't surmise the effect it has on all parties concerned. Had it not been for the congeniality of these great guys who have wormed their way into our hearts, and certainly, our lives, we probably would have 'lit out' for parts unknown long ago.

"There's never a dull moment around this house. We are six different people with six personalities, and ten thousand different ideas. temperaments and looks. Some of us look pretty good, supposedly, but some of us were put together a little peculiar like. We won't give forth with who they are, but if you've seen us you can undoubtedly guess.

guess.

"We share so many experiences with one another; some good; some pleasant and unpleasant; some joyous and serious. We'd love to be able to put our thoughts and feelings on paper but there's just no

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way we can think of to express these true feelings. But maybe some of the following will amuse you as they're true in fact. If we seem a little vague about some person or instance please bear with us, because after all, who said, 'Don't tell everything you know.' or 'You just can't let the right hand know what the left one is doing'? Consider these things.

"Sixteen year old experimenting with bubble gum to see if it really loses its flavor on the bedpost ornaments.

"Sleeping with Penny instead of old 'Teddy'. She's a small canine.

"Love, oh love, oh careless love, and in the Springtime a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of—oh well, how miserable life can be when you're 15—or 16 and in love. Infatuation you say? Not a chance, man, this is for real.

"Why, oh why do dishes have to be scraped, washed, scalded, dried and put away? That dumb old lady preferred a mechanical disposal to a mechanical dish washer. Why we already had a perfectly good disposal in the back yard (the dog) who doesn't use electricity even. Boy! Some have it and some don't.

"Report card time: Oh Mommy! Oh pappy! We tried, honestly we did, but you know what? Those dumb old teachers just don't like us. No faking, really!

"Sixteen, sweet sixteen, drivers education, and beautiful, wonderful drivers license at last. Two down and two to go. Will patience hold forth until?

"Talk about a set of wheels, now we've got 2 sets, and that's all, man, just wheels. Now the Jones have a Cadillac and the Smiths a Country Squire. Now tell us somebody why can't we have a Firebird. Just one little old Firebird, that's all. What's that about M-O-N-E-Y. What's that spell anyway?

"Politics, elections, candidates, war in Vietnam; so confusing. Got to make sure the old folks vote for the right one. How do you know who's the right one anyway? Well, look, listen and find out. What you got ears and eyes for anyway? Something wrong with you man? Where you been anyhow?

"Springtime, frozen pop, ice cream, girls, tired, sleepy, daylight savings time, still sleepy. Springtime, a young man's fancy, ice cream, girls, Bermudas, cokes; oh! everything is all messed up.

"Springtime — let's put weed killer on this lawn, flowers too. Old lady, what's with these flowers, anyway?

"Dear Lord, we are thankful for everything, including each other and the joys—and problems—of living together."

Fitts and Co.

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#### LONG TIME - LOYAL EMPLOYEES

Surely most every children's home can boast of a family like Fred and Lottie Hall, but nowhere can one be found finer than these two who came to Barium Springs in 1947. Fred has now fully retired, and Lottie, although retired, still works as relief cook in the kitchen.

Fred came to Barium as a truck farmer and for 18 years worked on the farm, often with a group of boys under the supervision of the farm manager. Lottie went to work immediately in 1947 in the laundry, moving later to the infirmary, and, finally, her last years have been spent in the main kitchen.

When the present Director arrived in early 1966, Fred had already retired in 1965. He became ill soon thereafter and has remained almost bedfast for the past year. Lottie remains most attentive to him but finds time to take care of the two granddaughters who live with them and also work part time as indicated above.

Upon arriving at Barium they lived in an old two story house in the woods on the north end of the campus but moved in 1954, when Dr. Albert McClure was superintendent, to a new house on Old Mountain Road. Fred said, "The only water we had at the first place was a spring nearby until Mr. Joe was a spring nearby until Mr. Joe us a well." Now they have city water and other conveniences of a normal home.

All eight of their children have been reared here on the campus. They are scattered, but along with them now are 15 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

On being asked about how he got along working the boys on the farm, Fred said, "They never really gave me any trouble—they always did what I asked them to do." He said, "The children would often

talk over their problems and troubles with me." He recalled, "A boy came to me along during the 1950's when he returned from vacation all excited over the fact that his mother now had a cook stove. The young man was saying that all he could remember was his mother cooking on an open fireplace. Always before if she got enough money to buy a stove, she would buy whiskey instead."

Lottie recalls some real good times with the girls in the laundry. She tells about celebrating birthdays by the adults cooking and setting up a birthday table in the laundry room. They exchanged gifts at Christmas time and grew flowers all the time. Flowers were kept in all the windows. She says, "The girls at Barium have always been nice to work with."

Both boys and girls returning to Barium often find time to stop by and see them.

Actually, three of their children, as they became of age, worked in various jobs on the campus for short periods of time.

Fred tells of the farm manager coming to him to inquire if such and such a man would make a good hand on the farm. Fred said, "I would never recommend one that I was not sure about, and, if I gave a 'slow' answer, he understood what this meant."

Talking about times and conditions today Fred says about people, "There are a great many more good people than bad." He reminds us, "You can usually find what you are looking for in a person."

The present Director enjoys very much his occasional visits at the bedside of Fred and in their home. We join with their many friends in wishing for them many more years of happiness and may God's richest blessings ever be theirs.

#### Alumni News

Norven Hillard and his wife and eight months old son visited Barium recently.

Tommy and Hank Angle from Cornelius were visitors on the campus. Tommy is working in Charlotte and Hank will be in the 8th grade this fall. They lived in Florida for three or four years and moved back to North Carolina recently.

Charlie and Thelma Sears from Granite Quarry were visitors on the campus.

Alice Craig, who is Mrs. W. O. MacLaren, and her husband made a short visit to Barium. They are living at Jensen Beach, Florida. Alice graduated here in 1931. She and her husband, have lived in London and also South Africa for a number of years.

Charles Deaton and his wife from Tampa, Florida came by for a visit.

Ann, the daughter of Marian (McCall) and Jim Kleckley, finished second in her class in high school this year. She will enter Lenoir-Rhyne College this fall. Their son, Jimmy, plays Pony League ball. Jim is in the real estate business.

Charles Barrett, Educational Director of General Adult and Community Service Program, in the Department of Community Colleges. delivered the Commencement address for the Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute which was held in May. Charles was a member of the faculty of Western Carolina College from 1957-1960; and, he served on North Carolina Extension faculty: he has been coordinator of Adult Basic Education, State Department of Community Colleges; and, recently became head of the Adult Education of Community Colleges in North Carolina. Charles is a PhD candidate in Adult Education in North Carolina State Col-

Copied from the Davidson College Bulletin: "Walter (Jake)

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# CAMP FUND

Children continue to go to Camp each month. Again this month you will find the special blank to complete and send a contribution to help with this program.

We make a special effort to provide all the children and young people a good healthy summer.



#### AL BLAKE IS HONORED

Shown above is Al Blake as he received the American Spirit Honor Medal on June 7th.

Al is a 1967 graduate of South Iredell High School. He lived at Barium Springs for 15 years. After graduation Al worked for a period of nine months then decided to join the Navy.

He was determined to do his best in the service. While in basic

training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois, Al had his chance to prove that he could make an excellent service record. The American Spirit Honor Medal is one of the most sought after awards and Al put forth every effort to get it. This picture is proof positive as he receives the award from Captain M. M. Ganter, U.S.N. Commander.

#### SUMMER REMEDIAL EDUCATION

On our campus it's 'back to school' on July 8th. At this time almost half of the children will be attending our remedial education program. This will last for five weeks and runs four hours each day, five days per week.

This program is being staffed

This we do at considerably extra cost. We think it is worth it.

It is also an opportunity for individual and church groups to make a gift to a Barium boy or girl that will enrich their lives. Kindly use the blank and send us your gift if you have not already done so. through the cooperation of the Iredell County Board of Education with regular teachers. The funds are provided through E.S.E.A. from the State.

This extra school effort recognizes that a large percentage of the children come to us already behind in school; others have had, through no fault of their own, poor school attendance; some have moved frequently; and, finally, some have just not been motivated to make full use of the talents provided them. For these reasons they fail in school and get farther and farther behind. The summer school will, hopefully, help catch them up or prevent failure.

They are especially far behind in reading and language skills. Some need help with mark-matics. With seven teachers and helpers, along with a principal, ti is program can have small classes and provide much individual attention. In addition to a good faculty the best equipment has been secured to help improve the child's skill.

In addition to classroom instructions for elementary grades, there are vocational guidance people who will test and help the high school student to better select curriculum and prepare for the proper vocation in keeping with aptitudes.

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The enclosed is to be placed in the Camp Fund and used to send children to Presbytery Camps or to help with other camp and summer experience.
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#### THE CURE FOR VIOLENCE

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

In the last seven years our nation increased in population by ten per cent. The rate of crime, however, rose by eighty-eight per cent. During the last year alone violence was more evident than any other year since records have been kept.

Many appear shocked that anger and hatred could gain such sway over our people. Some commentators express dismay at the aggression which has been set loose, asking what has happened to the United States.

Others answer that violence is as deep as the American way of life. It belongs to our pioneer spirit. It is indelibly ingrained in our culture. Proof is offered in the number in this country who die from gunshot wounds as compared with other nations.

Some say violence is a social phenomena, and its origin must be found in a failure of our society, such as poverty. This is partly true, but we should note that violence has increased the more affluent we have become as a nation. Today's graduating classes have more economic opportunities than any group has ever known, yet they enjoy more student rebellions.

Others demand fair treatment. However, the more that is done to insure justice is administered to society as a whole, the more large segments of society have used the leniency of law enforcement to violently seek what they want.

It is easy to think that a return to the "good old days" is what is needed. But of course this is not only impossible, it is also undesirable. For the "good old days" aren't all that good. The Victorian Age was suppose to be more stable—if you don't count world wars. However, the further we go back the more violence we discover. This nation was founded on violence, but this Revolution has acquired honorable respectability.

If we go back a little further to Elizabethean England, a "Golden Age," we find that all men went about armed, ready to kill or be killed in the defense of their life or property. Not only were the people of that time rude and vulgar, they were quite gross and indecent. A popular entertainment was to watch unfortunate victims kick on the end of a rope.

If the games were not bloody and gory, the spectators didn't care for them. A favorite sport was to chose teams and, armed with clubs and sticks, to knock one's opponents senseless. Children learned violence early. In a popular pastime, "Stone the Cock," an unfortunate rooster was tied to a stake and then rocked to death by the youngsters.

The more we investigate, the more obvious it becomes that violence is not just a social phenomena and is not "just as American as cherry pie." Violence belongs to the whole world and has a real grip on human nature—all human nature.

Violences arise out of aggression, which in itself is not evil, being the basis for much creative action. Unfortunately, something seems to have gone wrong in man and what could be a positive force ends up as destructive power.

Violence arises when personal desires are frustrated, as when Cain envied God's approval of Abel. If someone or something gets in the way of what we want, then in our anger and hatred we will attack. Is there a cure for this affliction?

At a recent scientific conference the audience was told that it would not be long before human aggression would be controlled by electrical instruments or doses of pills. According to the speaker we have electrical circuits in our brains which upon the proper stimulation create aggressive or peaceful reactions. In an experiment, one woman could be made angry or docile simply by flipping on and off the current. The audience was led to believe that in the future we may control our emotions either by taking the proper pills or by pressing the right buttons.

This would be a big help to all if it would work. The only trouble with the plan is that man has a tendency to enjoy his aggressions, and there is considerable danger that such type control would fall into the hands of the wrong persons. We might end up being run by someone other than ourselves.

The Apostle Paul illustrates the Biblical answer to violence. As long as he was Saul, the Pharisee, he was a very hostile person, particularly as he began to persecute the early Christians. He apparently thought his violent hounding of the early believers was God's will.

Later, Saul of Tarsus, met the risen Christ on the way to Damascus. In this encounter with the living Lord he experienced a change of heart. His anger melted at the experience of God's love. Conversion did not kill Paul's aggression, but it was rechannelled into the positive direction of building up the Church. Perhaps the answer for us and the world lies in this direction.

#### ALUMNI NEWS

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Watson Beattie, who entered Uncle Sam's Postal Department after graduation, also recently retired. He and this correspondent had a long chat in Washington, D. C. in Februray, when Jake and his wife were visiting their daughter and son-in-law in the nation's capitol city, after having said their last 'Greetings' in June of 1931 on the Davidson campus. Incidentally, Jake, the post office employee, took his degree in Chemistry! So the Chemist becomes a Postal expert.' Recently Jake retired from the Postal business because of length of service and is having a wonderful time with hobbies and community service that he does.

Mrs. J. B. Johnston has moved to the Weslyan Nursing Home at 2623 Cranbrook Lane in Charlotte, 28207. Mrs. Johnston enjoys visitors, especially from Barium, and would appreciate any of you dropping by to see her. Her grandson, David Walter Morris, Jr., was married on June 13 to Marilyn Kay Van Sickle of Fort Collins, Colorado. David is the older son of the late Ann Fayssoux Johnston Morris and the late Professor David Walter Morris. Ann Fayssoux's other son, Joseph Boudinot Johnston Morris was best man for his brother. Marilyn is a native of Fort Collins, and was a student at Colorado State University. Leila flew out for the wedding. David is an Air Force Second Lieutenant and is Computer Program Officer at ENT Air Force Base.

Al Blake spent a few days at Barium recently. He will be in training at New London, Connecti-

Jack Smith, who is in the Air Force, paid a short visit to Barium recently.

Shirley (Byrd) and Tom Schomisch and their four children from Appleton, Wisconsin visited Barium. They were on vacation and had visited relatives in Fayetteville and Wilmington.

Forrest Hunt from Winston-Salem stopped by the office recently.

Linda Byrd, who is living in Orlando, Florida, writes that she is planning to marry Jimmy Joe Garcia of Austin, Texas in September. He is with Civil Service and they have been going together for three years. They plan to live in Texas and Linda will continue her work

as a secretary.

Rita Harris Parrott and her husband are living in Killen, Texas. He is in the service and has been overseas for a number of months.

Richard Blackburn received his Masters degree in Hospital Administration from Georgia State College on May 26. Temporarily he is working as assistant director of the Special Mississippi Planning Proiect

Mr. Ralph McMillan (Rosie) of Belmont died recently. He was football coach at Barium for a number of years. The following was taken from a clipping from The Belmont Banner: "Ernest White of the Belk-Matthews Store spoke of the late Ralph McMillan. Ernest held Ralph in high esteem. 'He was my first football coach when we were at Barium Springs Home. He was always the clean living type that looked upon every member of his team as one of his own sons. I don't think you could find a nicer man anywhere than Ralph McMillan. I

remember when I was a member of the 110 pound team at Barium Springs, we would play a game at p.m. then scrimmage with the varsity later in the day. Those days I will never forget. We won a lot of games in those days and against top flight competition, like old Central High of Charlotte, Gastonia High, Thomasville High, Belmont Abbey's "B" team and other junior college second units, and we did it some years with no more than 18 boys. Yes, Ralph was not only a great guy, but also an outstanding coach. He was a success in every phase of his life'," Ernest said with feeling.

Lt. Col. B. M. Spencer is Director of the McCallie School Summer Day Camp.

Michael, the son of Mary Ann (McCormick) and B. A. Cox of Dade City, Florida, graduated from Polk Junior College in June. He is now working at Channel 8 T.V. in Tampa as a floor director. His plans are to major in Broadcasting Journalism at the University of South Florida this fall.

Bill Shaw Johnson, son of W. A. and Myrtle (Rushing) Johnson, is an Eagle Scout and recently received the Bronze Palm.

Edwin Barefoot has returned from Viet Nam where he has been working as a civilian. Sometime ago he completed his service. Walter is at Officers Candidate School in Ft. Benning, Georgia.

Bill McAllister, Field Representative for the Social Security Administration in Lynchburg, Virginia, and two sons, Bill, age 9 and David, age 7, came by on their way camping while his wife, Ann, is attending conference at Montreat. She is Historian for Appomattox Presbytery. Bill is a deacon in the Church.

A son, Joseph Chandler, was born to Ronald and Barbara (Webb) Huffman of Raeford in May.

An invitation has been received to the marriage of Janice Cheryl McHenry to Henry Latta Bridgers on the thirteenth of July at Midwood Baptist Church in Charlotte.

SP4 Charles L. Donaldson, Jr., is stationed in Korea. He is a 1968 graduate of North Carolina State College. His address is WS 53 526-669, Co. A 127th Sig Bn, APO San Francisco, Calif. 96207.

Hilda Donaldson Horseman and family have moved to Carboro. Her husband, Craig, is doing graduate work at the University of North

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#### Carolina.

The following was taken from the Charleston, South Carolina The News and Courier, Sunday, July 7, 1968. "FRAZIER, HART - Miss Sarah Elizabeth Hart and Mr. Donald Phillip Frazier of Savannah were married July 6 in St. John's Episcopal Church, The Rev. Edward B. Guerry officiated. The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. William LaRoche Hart of John's Island. The bridegroom is a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Tyson Frazier. The bride was given in marriage by her father. Miss Frances Lucille Elmore of Florence was maid of honor. Attendants were Mrs. John Martin (Annie Leigh) Driskell of Great Lakes, Ill., sister of the bridegroom, and Mrs. David Pierce Caraker, Miss Michael Sharon Huffmond and Miss Violet Mae Meade, all of Columbia. Mr. William Allen Johnson of Maxton, N. C., was best man. Groomsmen were Mr. William LaRoche Hart, Jr., of Asheville, N. C., brother of the bride; Mr. John Martin Driskell, Mr. David Pierce Caraker of West Columbia and Mr. John Randolph Shaw. William Jenkins Seabrook, Jr., was ringbearer. A reception took place after the ceremony. The couple will live in Savannah. bride, a graduate of St. John's High School and Winthrop College, will teach in the Savannah school system. Mr. Frazier was graduated from Presbyterian Junior College and St. Andrew's Presbyterian College and teaches at Savannah Country Day School."

#### A MEMORIAL GIFT

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#### FIRST THINGS FIRST

The Home is the basic unit of society. This I know to be true. It is the place where a family lives. Normally a family is made up of of parents, father and mother, and children. People for whom the Christian Church has much responsibility live there. Thus, any Christian mission of service can first be directed to the family—Such is putting "First Things First."

#### The Child

The central focus of the Presbyterian Child Care Program known as Barium Springs Home for Children is children. Children that are members of a family—that live in a home. Yet children that have reached a time in their young lives when because of death, neglect, dependency, inadequate parents or other family ills they can no longer remain in that home.

Literally there are thousands of such children within the bounds of the Synod of North Carolina. They live in institutions of one kind or another, in foster family care and in specialized group homes. A large number of them are in limbo, not really knowing where they will live the next month or the next year. Some are led by parents to feel that soon they can return homebut, month by month and year by year passes and nothing happens. Many are shifted from one foster family to another, not really sure whether it is because another adult has rejected them or whether their behavior has been such as to deserve a change. Many, living in one kind of an institution or another, must simply face the reality of life there until they are grown and some even on into adulthood. Possibly another number equal to the total of all of these are in homes that are tottering and on the brink of falling to pieces.

Surely those of us who love people and have compassion in our hearts must face the fact that these children, in fact, all children, should come first as we look toward the tomorrows. The adults of tomorrow are with us today in the lives of the children. If we are going to help anybody—then, let us agree that we should HELP A CHILD.

#### Procedure

From where I sit behind the desk of the administrator let me outline briefly how we see the Church fulfilling its' mission to a group of these children, though limited in number as respect to the total need. What, in reality, I would like for you to become familiar with is our procedure for helping the troubled family in which the child is central.

Principally, our efforts are based upon what we choose to call, "Our Helping Process". Essentially it says that people can help people when right relationships are established. Relationships that are based upon love, concern, desire and respect. Relationships that engender faith, trust and confidence. tionships that are sought to be established in the spirit of Jesus Christ, who said, "Love one an-

This service begins when a pastor of a Presbyterian Church, a church member, a family or some social agency calls or writes to refer a troubled family for help. Then those evidencing a need come to Barium Springs and ask for help. In an initial conference with member of the social work staff it is determined if the difficulties presented warrant a study to see if services offered by Barium can help. Assuming that this is affirmative, the case is assigned to a social worker for a depth study of the family and its problems.

This study consists of many contacts with the immediate family, with relatives, and in the community. Those visited include the pastor, the schools, mental health clinics, departments of public welfare, and oftentimes neighbors and others who may provide information that will help us to diagnose properly the need of children in this family. Arrangements are made for physical and psychological examinations. In such a study there is always uppermost the desire to help this family where they areonly as a last resort should children be removed from their own home. And, too, even when placement is deemed necessary, the way needs to be prepared from the very begining to return these children to their family and home-thus, short term placement is preferred.

#### Case Committee

The key staff group in our pro-cess of helping is what we choose to call the Case Committee. This Committee is composed of the Executive Director, the Director of Social Services and the Director of Campus Life.

#### **Admissions Conference**

In the course of making the study an application is completed. The application along with all essentials of the study are presented by the social worker making the study to an Admissions Conference, where the Case Committee reviews the material and evaluates the needs of the family. It is at this time that, if accepted, a plan of care is agreed upon.

#### Plan of Care

It is most important that we recognize the matter of relationships. As long as the child is in care it is this same Case Committee who continues to evaluate the adjustment and growth of the child along with response of the child's family to the help given them.

The houseparents provide the day to day care and the social worker counsels with the family. It is therefore these two, the houseparent and the social worker, who in

full cooperation can study the month by month progress. It is they that have the most intimate relationships. But there are others, for every single staff person who may come in contact with either the child or the child's family has something constructive to offer in the way of help.

Periodic evaluations therefore are held. These consist principally of Staff Conferences and of Family Conferences. They complement each other.

#### **A Staff Conference**

The Staff Conference is made up of the three members of the Case Committee plus the family's social worker and the houseparent of the child and such other appropriate staff personnel as seems needed. Here this group are deeply concerned with the child's adjustment. They want to examine his physical and emotional growth. Have his achievements been in keeping with his abilities? How is he getting along with adults? What are his relationships with his own peer age group? If he has special problems have we recognized them fully and adjustment been made to help remedy them? How does he get along academically at school? Have special talents been noted and an opportunity given to exploit them? What is his relationship with his own family and do we need to plan differently with them to effect shorter placement or some other plan? In short, this conference is intended to take a close look at the plan of care and make adjustments where needed to serve the best interest of the child.

#### A Family Conference

The Family Conference consists of the Case Committee plus the family's social worker and members of the family including the child. The family comes to the Barium office and includes both parents whenever possible, sometimes a step-parent and on occasions grandparents and even uncles and aunts older brothers and sisters. Even though this family has been seen in their own home by the social worker on a regular basis such a conference as this with children and other key staff present makes for better understanding of the plan of care and such adjustments as need to be made. Here the staff would bring the family up to date on the progress and adjustment of their child. The adults in the family are asked to share progress being made at home.

The Family Conference provides an opportunity again to review the plan of care agreement. It serves to remind the family of its responsibility and how Barium cannot take their place but can only help them during a critical period. In this setting the children can be given an interpretation of how both family and Barium are working together. It enables them to see better that they are in placement because problems and difficulties at home are such that they are better off at Barium. Also, if plans are in the making for them to return home they can be a part of the decision and react to the plan for change.

#### The Discharge Conference

In most instances a previous staff conference or a family conference would have made decisions relating to discharge. However, there are plans about discharge, exrended services and after care that need to

#### ANNUAL MEETING OF SYNOD

Barium Springs Home for Children is an Agency of the Synod of North Carolina. Each year at the annual meeting a report is made. This we do through a written report from the President of the Board and published in the Blue Book. Also, financial reports and recommendations are made through Synod's Committee on Homes. The Executive Director is given about ten minutes for a brief oral report on the floor of Synod at which time he can highlight various activities and program.

The Board of Regents, twenty four in number, are elected by Synod for three year terms. They form the governing body. This year seven regents were elected for a second three year term. One member, Mr. W. H. Stanley, retired and in his place was elected Mr. Wm. C. Glidewell, Jr., of Greenville,

#### HOME COMING

This is sort of a last minute notice to all alumni and friends of Barium for Home Coming. Sunday, August 11th is the date. Come, bring your picnic lunch, spread it with the children and staff at the Home and enjoy a full day.

It is hoped that all will come in the morning. Registration will begin at 9:00 A.M. in the fellowship hall at the Church. Then, Sun-School and Church at 10:00 A. M. and 11:00 A. M. Lunch will be at 12:30.

In the afternoon there will be a business meeting of the alumni when new officers will be elected. The swimming pool will be open for all to enjoy. Best of all will be seeing old friends and making new ones. You can sit under the shade trees and recall many experiences. Some will have new children to show off.

Just plan to come and expect an enjoyable day. Staff and children are looking forward to your being

be made. Normally such a conference would consist of the Case Committee and the family's social worker.

If a child is going home, discussion would be about the conditious under which the child was being returned. Such questions as these might arise. What can we realistically expect from the family? How much follow through will be needed? Will the child be discharged immediately or will after care at home be provided? Are there other matters about the childs adjustment that we need to share with the family? Do we see this as permanent or should we be prepared for an application to return? Have we properly prepared the child for the adjustment from residential care to movement back home and to community life?

For some extended services will be needed prior to discharge. In most cases these relate to those older young people who will be taking advantage of opportunity to secure vocational training or a college education.

Naturally some are discharged who move directly into the armed forces, get married or secure employment in a community. In any case a discharge conference seeks to plan ways to help make the adjustment to a new way of life easier for the individual.

North Carolina. These eight form the Class of 1971.

On behalf of the other members of the Board, the staff and the children, we welcome Mr. Glidewell as a new member. The next meeting of the Board will be November 13-14, 1968. Mr. William C. Thacker of Winston-Salem is President of the Board and Mrs. John Nance of Fayetteville is Secretary.

#### SUMMER STAFF

Each summer the administration plans a full program for all the children and young people. This means that extra staff are needed for a fully rounded schedule of

From Richmond, Virginia we have Mr. and Mrs. Jim Carriker. Mr. Carriker is at Union Seminary where we will enter his senior year this fall. Mrs. Carriker is a teacher. They help with the youth program at the Church and otherwise fit into many activities on the campus. Also from Richmond is Miss Aileen Shifflett. She is a student at Presbyterian School of Christian Education, where in 1969 she will receive a B.S. in Christian Education. Miss Shifflett substitutes in the cottages as a relief houseparent, makes herself available to individual children who have special needs and helps in many special activities that develop.

On the playground and at the Recreation Center there is Mr. Jim Sherrill and Miss Pam Hill. Mr. Sherrill is a coach at Troutman School. Miss Hill is from Raleigh and will be a senior at University of Tennessee this fall.

Mr. Forrest Price looks after the swimming pool and Mrs. Marie Holman is in charge of arts and

Miss Mary Neas, who served as a houseparent for a little over a year and returned to finish her college education, is also on the campus this summer. She works as a relief houseparent and fills in on all occasions where an extra staff person is needed.

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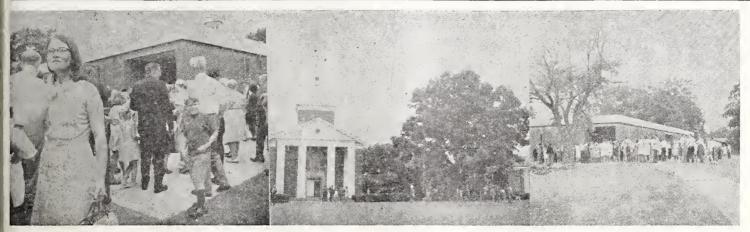
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Homecoming is always a big day at Barium Springs. This year's celebration included attendance at the morning worship service at Little Joe's Church; greeting old friends, many of whom hadn't been seen since last year's Hamecaming, and,

joining the large crowd in the dining hall for a deliciaus picnic-type meal. The day was shartened somewhat by a rather intense summer starm which hit the Barlum area in mld-afternaon.

# HOMECOMING

On Sunday, August 11th, five hundred or more alumni and their families gathered at Barium for Homecoming. We enjoyed having a number attend a tea the night before. The following States were represented: North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee, Virginia, Florida and Oregon. Dennis Williams came the greatest distance. He and his wife came from Portland, Oregon, Franklin Smith from Miami, Mary Ann McCormick Cox from Dade City, Florida, Richard Blackburn and his family from Jackson, Mississippi, Jack and Ernestine (Garrett) Young and son, Don, from Spring-

field, Virginia are close behind in distance to these other places.

There were a number who did not register or give their addresses. If you are one of these, please send your address.

In the morning Mr. A. M. Calhoun, former Bible teacher, taught the Sunday School Class. Mr. Barron, the minister at Little Joe's, preached the sermon. He used as his subject "Reconcilation". Reconcilation is an act in which enemies put away their differences and become friends. Pleas Norman was the soloist.

The day was hot but the church and dining hall are air conditioned

and the children enjoyed a swim in the afternoon. The wonderful fellowship helped us forget the heat.

After the delicious picnic lunch the alumni meeting was held in the dining hall. Charles Sears, President, presided. There were representatives from the Class of 1905 to the Class of 1968. Edna (Mrs. Ernest) White and Maude Inman received door prizes.

Dr. Reiney, Executive Director, welcomed the group and spoke of plans to build an educational plant for the church and thought the alumni would like to share in this. After some questions and discussion the alumni passed unanimously a resolution endorsing the plan

to build an education unit at Little Joe's Church and agreed to conduct a campaign among all alumni to help pay for it. They then named a committee composed of Hilda Bernardo of Charlotte, Arthur Roach of Mooresville, and Charles Barrett of Raleigh, to work with the administration.

After the meeting two of the alumni, a boy and a girl, gave checks of \$100.00 each to start the campaign.

The following officers were elected: Ed Cole, President, Sallie Farmer Cole, Vice-President, and Don Mitchell, Secretary and Treasurer.

Paul Horne closed the meeting with prayer.



Shown are seven of the eight Barium Springs staff members wha attended the Chapel Hill Workshops. Absent when the picture was taken was Miss Mary



Many of our children attended summer camp this year. Camps of Concord, Mecklenburg and Winston-Salem Presbyteries were among those attended during the summer by aur bays and girls. Shown are three of aur girls: Terry Grant, Tania Ellis and Karen Austin as they prepared to leave for Camp Susan Barbara Jones.



Several of aur 9-12 year old boys were participants in the Troutman Little League pragram during the summer. Barium had representatives on each of the four league teams. The season was climaxed by a swimming party and picnic on the Barium campus attended by mare than seventy Little Leaguers and adult community leaders.

# Presbyterian Association Meeting Of Children's Homes

One of the most significant meetings for administrators of our Children's Homes is held each year when all gather at one place to exchange ideas and plan together ways and means to best help children and families in need.

This year the meeting was held in Monticello, Arkansas at the Vera Lloyd Home. This is a very fine program supported by the Synod of Arkansas. While this is a small Synod, their Child Care Board has very wisely chosen to render a special service to a small number of adolescent young people. Our visit was both enjoyable and profitable. They were excellent hosts. Staff attending from Barium Springs were Earle Frazier, Rufus Fisher and Nat K. Reiney.

This meeting may have been the most important one held in the long series, since three days were

spent in an effort to write a set of standards or norms for all the Presbyterian Child Care Agencies. Mr. John Baughman, Director, Alexander Children's Center, is the current president and presided over the meetings.

For all the work sessions those in attendance were divided into three groups. Each group had a special consultant who directed the sessions. Our work was divided into three areas — (1) "Planning and Treatment"; (2) "Child Care"; (3) "Administrative and Community Relations". Fortunately for Barium Springs, we had a staff representative in each group whose special interest was the subject for discussion.

Except for a small amount of committee work and editorial (Continued on Page 2)

He and his children visited Barium recently. He is in social work.

Recent visitors to the campus were Forrest Lee Hunt, Jake Beattie, and Donnie and David Brown.

Jim Wetmore, who has been living in Columbia, South Carolina, has accepted work in Connecticut.

Alumni News

The Rev. John A. Carriker left on July 15th with a group of church people for a trip to the Holy Land, Egypt, Lebanon, Greece, Italy, Germany and England. He returned on August 6.

Rita (Harris) Parrott is with her husband who is in service in Texas now. They live at 802 De Florence Road, Killen, Texas.

Julia Clendenin Calloway attended the American Guild of Organist Convention in Denver, Colorado. Julia is organist in a church in Nashville, Tennessee. Her husband, Richard, is doing his residency at Vanderbilt.

Rosa Lee Guin (1968 graduate) worked in the library at Fayetteville Technical Institute this summer.

Percy Utsman, who is stationed in Vietnam, has been promoted to SP4.

Charles Barrett has been elected to the executive committee of the North Carolina Adult Education Association for 1968-70.

Please note change of address for Mrs. J. B. Johnston. She was at the address given in the last issue only a short time and has returned to the Providence Convalescent Residence at 300 Providence Road, Charlotte.

Beverly McClure has become Director of Campus Christian Ministry at Winthrop College. Mac McClure is now working as a social worker at Robbins Air Force Base. He and his family live at Macon, Georgia. Prior to this, Mac was social worker for Family Service Agencies in Macon.

Royce Harris and Nancy Murdock were married at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Troutman on Saturday evening, July 27. Leonard Utsman, Bobby Neil and Royce's younger brother, George, were ushers. After a leave Royce will be going to Vietnam.

Archie McMannen and his wife, Pat, and children, Steve, David and Kay, made a short visit to Barium. They had spent a week camping in the mountains of North Carolina. They live in Orlando, Florida. Archie works in research for Martin-Marietta Company. He along

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#### SPECIAL NOTICE

We need to employ a registered nurse for the Infirmary—will consider LPN—if you are interested or can recommend someone please call or write.

#### RESCUE

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

As I walked around the corner of the house I heard the frenzied squawking of several birds. Glancing up in the white oak tree I saw a couple of brown thrashers hopping up and down on a limb. About the same time I saw Taffy, a pointer bird dog, gleefully chasing a small blotch of feathers. Running around in circles she occasionally darted in to nip at the forlorn fledgling who could neither fly nor run.

Taffy paid no attention to the mother and father bird as they strafed her, swooping close to her head on every run. She was having too much fun to notice them. However, when I shouted she saw me, not that she paid much attention. In fact she decided that this was the time to show me that even though she wasn't much of a quail dog, she really could manage little yard birds. With a quick thrust of her nose she kept bouncing the unhappy creature into the air until I was afraid there was no life left in the little bones.

Finally I managed to round up and chain Taffy. Returning to the front yard I saw the little brown thrasher was still alive and apparently not too seriously injured by the affray. But the victim looked pathetic. There is nothing attractive about half grown birds anyway. Like awkward adolescents they seem to be all legs and feet. The little bird's plumage, a combination of molting down and sprouting brown feathers, was seriously ruffled by the tongue and teeth of Taffy. I looked at the bird and the bird looked back at me. "What is this?" he must have wondered.

So far as mother and father cared I was nothing but one more enemy, one even larger than the attacking dog. The closer I got to the little bird, the closer they came to me, diving down in my face, fanning my head with their wings.

I remembered a similar occasion. As a little boy, looking for anything interesting I could find, I had discovered a young blue jay beside the porch. Naturally I picked it up. Suddenly, out of the sky sailed the mama bird, right on my head. The blue jay pecked me right on top. Blue jays have been my enemy ever since. With this memory forcefully etched by the bird's bill, I was a little hesitant to move too close to the little thrasher. I didn't want to get rapped again.

However, I was concerned about the plight of the brown thrashers. If the little bird stayed on the ground, Taffy or some other animal would surely get it sooner or later. It would not survive very long in this hostile world. So putting on a hat as armor against the parents' protecting fervor, I walked over and picked up the unhappy victim.

They all started screeching, then, mother, father, and baby bird together. The adults swooped down in my face, and the scrawny baby bird squirmed until I was afraid I would crush him in my hands.

I tried to set the would-be-flier in the lower branches of the oak tree, but every time I placed him on one of the limbs he crashed to the ground. His weak claws and half grown wings wouldn't hold him up. While wondering what to do I spied a wild cherry tree, loaded with berries, in the edge of the yard. With the older birds following me the whole way, I walked across the yard and set the little bird beneath the protecting foliage.

It took a few moments for all the birds to sense that I was not going to hurt the little one. When they finally realized that the danger was over and he was rescued at last the frantic cries turned to more soothing chirps. And this is the way I left them. So far as I know the little bird is still alive and has every opportunity to grow up like the others with the long brown tails.

As I thought about the experience I remembered how frightened the birds had been when I tried to help. They didn't seem to understand that I wasn't going to harm or injure them. In their minds I was just one more enemy like the vicious dog. There was no way for me to tell them otherwise for I couldn't talk their language and they couldn't speak mine.

The only way I could let them know that I wanted to help them was to go ahead and pick up the little bird and put him in a safe place. Only after the rescue was over did they know that I had been a friend and not an enemy

How much like this is our relation to God. Often he appears to us as the enemy. We don't understand him or his words. We have experienced so much danger and have had so many bad relationships with other persons that we don't seem to trust anyone.

But God does not let this stop him. If it were left up to us we would probably perish for want of a way out of our predicament. But God in his infinite mercy sent his Son, Jesus, to pick us up and place us under the protecting wings of the Father. Only then, after it has happened, do we realize where our salvation is.

#### ALUMNI NEWS

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with some doctors are working on Fludic systems which has to do with the guidance and control units for the United States Government and also commercial use.

Amos Hardy, his wife, Rachel, and their two children, Carrie Lou and Reddie, made a short visit to Barium. They live in Silver Springs, Maryland. Amos is with Interstate Commerce Commission in the traffic department. They were on vacation and were visiting friends and relatives in North Carolina. Amos is a deacon in the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington.

Rae (Powell) and Jimmy Johnson and two children spent a week at the beach recently. Jimmy attended an educational conference.

Mike, son of Ernestine (Garrett) and Jack Young of Springfield, Virginia, was one of four juniors picked from his school to go to Boys State, and out of 640 boys from Virginia Schools was fifth in line to go to National Boys State.

Paul Horne has moved to Charlotte from Huntersville and is minister at Johnston Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Joe Mike White, son of Evelyn and Joe White of Winston-Salem, has a leave from the Recreation Department and is working on his MA in recreation and physical education at Appalachian.

Chief John W. Donaldson has been assigned to the Armed Forces Examining and Entrance Station as Navy Liason in Raleigh. He comes home on weekends. His son, John W., Jr., played Babe Ruth and All Star baseball in Statesville and managed the Little League Baseball team. Ann will return to N. C. State as a junior in Applied Math. Carol Jean finished Statesville High this year and will enter pre-school of Pharmacy at U. N. C., Chapel Hill, in September.

Charles Creech was promoted recently to Purchasing Agent for the Cape Kennedy Power Plant, Cocoa, Florida.

Virginia Baucom Easom, her husband and four attractive boys visited Barium. They were returning from Grandfather Mountain, Linville, and other points of interest in the mountains and were on their way back to Wilmington.

Carolyn Wicker Waddington, her husband, Don, and five children, made a short visit to Barium. Don teaches in the college in Boatsbury, Pennsylvania. They were on their way to visit her brother Mac in Huntersville.

Scotty Gene Taylor has been discharged from the Army after serving two years. He has just returned from Thailand by way of California and visited Barium on his way to High Point to see his mother. Gene graduated at Lenoir Rhyne College two years ago with a major in Science and will probably take employment in that field.

Miriam Huddleston Lassister of High Point and Elizabeth Ann Huddleston Simser visited Barium recently. Elizabeth Ann and her family have recently moved to Newton from California. Her husband is with a trucking company. They have three lovely children.

Timothy Roach, son of Mr. and

Mrs. Arthur Roach of Mooresville, was married to Jean Melanie Strickland of Mobile, Alabama on August 24th at the Second Presbyterian Church in Mooresville. Tim will enter Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary and Jean is a junior at the University of Louisville

Lt. Col. David Spencer, who is on the staff at McCallie in Chattanooga, made a short visit to Barium.

Jody Clark, who was in the Air Force, was killed in an automobile accident while on furlough in Charlotte.

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changes, we were able to finish the task in the time allotted. A completed set of standards will thus be composed and printed for the use and information of all those interested in this vital phase of the church's ministry. After review by each contributing agency's staff and Board, they will be submitted to the Christian Social Service Division of the Board of National Ministries, and thence to the 1969 General Assembly.

For our part we are most grateful for being able to participate in the writing of these standards. We look forward with much interest to presenting them to the next meeting of the Board of Regents, and then to the Church at large.

# Churches Have 'Edifice Complex'

By Louis Cassels
UPI Religion Writer

Neither concern for the poor nor high interest rates, it appears, can overcome the "edifice complex" of America's churches.

Latest figures from the U. S. Department of Commerce show that churches are continuing to construct new buildings at a rate of about \$1 billion a year. That's the same level of expenditure that has prevailed since the early 1960's.

MORE THAN \$20 billion has been invested in religious construction since the church building boom started at the end of World War II. U. S. religious bodies now own an estimated \$80 billion worth of real estate.

Some church leaders are having pangs of conscience.

The Rt. Rev. Horace W. B.

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Donegan, Episcopal bishop of New York, halted work on the massive Cathedral of St. John the Divine to free funds for programs serving the poor people of the inner city.

This week, Patrick Cardinal O'-Boyle, Roman Catholic archbishop of Washington, D. C., ordered a moratorium for church and school construction to release upwards of \$3 million a year for church-financed low income housing developments, day care centers for children of working mothers, and other projects intended to help people of the capital's black ghetto.

But GESTURES such as these have been few and far between.

The high priority which American congregations give to bricks and mortar is vividly illustrated by two figures from a recent statistical report from the Southern Baptist Convention.

Although Southern Baptists are the most mission-minded of the big denominations, they spent more last year on buildings (\$162 million) than they did on missions (\$120 million).

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EDITORIAL COMMENT: While figures are not at hand on Presbyterian, U. S. churches for comparison, there is little doubt that a similar conclusion would be reached as in the case of Southern Baptist. It is to be noted that our Board of National Ministries recently made available a sizeable sum for low interest loans to help in ghetto situations of southern cities.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

We would like to express our appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Allred of Raleigh for sending seventeen Bibles for boys and girls who recently came to live at Barium. They had also sent Bibles to new students previously.

#### A MEMORIAL GIFT

Barium Springs Home For Children Barium Springs, N. C. 28010

You will find enclosed \$ in memory of
Name of Deceased
Address
Date of Death
Survivor To Be Written
Address
Relationship of Survivor To Deceased
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Address



#### PLACEMENT AGREEMENT

wishing to plan responsibly for our children request Barium Springs Home for Children to assist us by caring for

and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for a period of one year in accordance with the following agreement. At the end of this year, or if there is any major change in the present plan, this agreement will be re-evaluated and another plan made.

We will visit the children at the times and places agreed upon between ourselves and Barium Springs Home for Children and will arrange for visits and vacations that may be mutually agreed upon.

We will, as far as possible, make ourselves available for regular conferences with the social worker, or the administration, regarding matters that are our responsibility as guardians, or on which Barium Springs may wish our advice. These conferences may be held at Barium Springs Home for Children or in our home community.

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At the point at which we are ready to have the children returned to us, we will discuss our plans with the social worker far enough in advance so that the child can be prepared for the move.

We hereby request the medical staff of Barium Springs Home for Children to assist us in keeping our children in good health, and in case there may be need for medical care, or surgery, at a time at which we are not available to act as our representatives in consenting to such care or surgery.

Until such time as we are able to undertake our full responsibility for support,

we will pay to Barium Springs Home for Children the sum of per month and request Barium Springs to assist us by providing the difference.

In case of emergency I can be reached at telephone

DATE:

Administrator

Social Worker

In recent years, more and more child caring agencies have found it helpful, and even necessary, to formulate a placement agreement whenever a child comes into care. For some time, Barium Springs has used such an agreement. The agreement printed here is a basic example of the type entered into by Barium Springs and the parent or legal guardian involved in the placement. There are variations to this plan whenever indicated. During the application study of the needs of a child all the points covered in the agreement are discussed in detail. At the admissions conference the plan is discussed again and signed by the appropriate persons. In this admissions conference the parent or parents and/or the legal guardian, the child or children, other relatives or interested friends are present, along with the Executive Director, the Campus Life Director, the Director of Social Services, and the Social Worker who has worked with the child and his family.

It will be noted that the agreement is for a specified length of time, usually one year. This gives opportunity to keep the plan up to date and to make changes whenever necessary. At the end of each year, another conference is held with the same people participating. The agreement is discussed again. It is pointed out where the plan has or has not been carried out. The present plan may be continued or changes can be made where necessary. If, during the year, a major change such as remarriage or a move out of the state comes up, the plan can be altered before its expiration date.

The making of a visiting plan is most important. We feel that a

NAME

Relationship to Children

Address

child must have contact with his family if he is to make an adequate adjustment while in placement. The children are allowed two major vacations during the year. Summer vacations of from two to three weeks and Christmas vacations, corresponding to the school holidays, are planned for every child on campus. Most of these periods are spent with parents or relatives. If such planning cannot be made, the Home makes arrangements with friends of the child or friends of Barium Springs to provide these vacations. The children are allowed four additional weekends away from campus-two in the spring and two in the fall; also, weekend visits can be arranged for special occasions such as birthdays or family reunions.

Visiting the children on campus is encouraged. Our regular visiting hours are every Sunday afternoon from one o'clock to five o'clock. We ask that relatives visit as often as feasible. Most relatives visit every three or four weeks. These contacts between the child and his family are invaluable.

While the child is in our care his needs are ever before us. The social worker is always in contact with meaningful family members. Periodic visits are made to the relative's home to discuss the progress or lack of progress the child is making. This gives opportunity for the worker to see the family in operation. Something within the home may be troubling the child, and his social worker needs to be aware of this. Present and future planning is done during these visits. On occasion we find it helpful to have family conferences at the Barium Springs Office. Here, the family and the administration

discuss in depth the situation that brought the child into care, the current situation, and definite plans for future care. These conferences may be requested by Barium Springs or the family.

In planning for the future it is always important for the Home and the family to be in agreement concerning plans for discharge. We feel it is just as important to plan responsibly for discharge as it is to plan for admission. We ask that relatives not plan separately with the child. This is always confusing. The child does not need another abrupt change in his life, so plans for discharge are made well in advance and with the full knowledge of all concerned.

Good medical care is provided for every child here. In dealing with so many children, emergencies do occur. Every attempt is made to locate the family as soon as possible to inform them of these emergencies. In the meantime, immediare attention is given to the needs of the child. In order to protect the hospital, the doctor, the child, Barium Springs, and the family, the placement agreement gives authority to the Home to act as the representative of the family in providing whatever services are needed. Whenever routine operations, such as tonsillectomies, are scheduled, the family is notified in advance and invited to be with the child during his stay in the hospital.

Financial arrangements between the Home and the family are discussed and agreed upon. While no child is denied admittance to the Home because of inability to pay, it is most important for relatives who are able to do so to pay something toward the care of the child. Often the amount is small, but the knowledge the child has that his parents care enough to pay toward his care is immeasurable in terms of money. Each situation is dealt with on an individual basis, so the amount of the payment varies with the ability of the relative to pay.

Should the child be in the custody of a social agency, arrangements are made for the agency to contribute toward the cost of upkeep for the child.

In the presence of the child the agreement is signed by the parent or legal guardian, the Executive Director and the Social Worker. Each person is fully aware of the details of the agreement and has a copy to keep for himself.

Whenever an older child is admitted to care we feel that he should be able to help plan for himself. Thus, in addition to the above agreement we ask him to sign a personal agreement which

old enough to help plan responsibly for myself, also request that Barium Springs Home for Children accept the application filed on my behalf by my legal guardian. I am aware of the placement agreement signed by my legal guardian and Barium Springs Home for Children and agree to abide by this plan."

Planning for children to live away from their own homes cannot be done haphazardly. We have found the placement agreement to be an excellent tool in making and carrying out the best possible plan for the children entrusted to our

# 21 Memos

- 1. Don't spoil me. I know quite well that I ought not to have all that I ask for. I'm testing you.
- Don't be afraid to be firm with me. I prefer it; it makes me feel more secure
- Don't let me form bad habits. I have to rely on you to detect them in the early stages.
- Don't make me feel smaller than I am. It only makes me behave stupidly "big."
- 5. Don't correct me in front of people if you can help it. I'll take much more notice if you talk quietly with me in pri-
- 6. Don't make me feel my mistakes are sins. It upsets my sense of values.
- 7. Don't protect me from consequences. I need to learn the painful way, sometimes.
- Don't be too upset when I say "I hate you." It isn't you I hate but your power to thwart
- 9. Don't take too much notice of my small ailments. Sometimes they get the attention I need.
- Don't nag. If you do, I shall have to protect myself by appearing deaf.
- Don't forget that I cannot explain myself as well as I should like. This is why I'm not always very accurate.
- Don't make rash promises. Remember that I feel badly let down when promises are broken.
- 13. Don't tax my honesty too much. I am easily frightened into telling lies.
- Don't be inconsistent. That completely confuses me and makes me lose faith in you.
- Don't tell me my fears are silly. They are terribly real and you can do much to reassure me if you try to understand.
- Don't put me off when I ask questions. If you do, you will find that I stop asking and seek my information elsewhere.
- Don't ever suggest that you are perfect or infallible. gives me too great a shock when I discover that you are neither.
- Don't ever thing it is beneath your dignity to apologize to me. An honest apology makes me feel surprisingly warm toward you.
- Don't forget how quickly I am growing up. It must be very difficult to keep pace with me, but please try.
- Don't forget I love experimenting. I couldn't get on without it, so please put up with it.
- 21. Don't forget that I can't thrive without lots of understanding love, but I don't need to tell you, do I?

-CHARGER Nassau County (N.Y.) Council magazine July-August 1968

#### Memorial Fund

The receiving of memorial gifts is a very vital part of the program at Barium Springs. Without the income from this source certain parts of our work would suffer. It is also a source of income that should continually increase. There are more and more people, thus, more friends and loved ones for us to remember.

Education of the boys and girls has always had first call on the memorial income. Those of you who have children are well aware of the increased cost of education at all levels. It is no different with us.

Funds provided the Home become a living memorial in the lives of literally hundreds of boys and girls. Can you think of any better investment? Remember, also, that these gifts are tax free. And, while we would never agree that some flowers are not needed and wonderful at the time of a funeral, we would also agree that it can be overdone, and, then, why not a memorial? Be sure you send it to Barium. It will always be acknowledged in a prompt and dignified manner. Blanks for your use are in each issue of The Messenger, and a supply can be sent you upon request to keep on hand.

We want to thank all those who send memorials, but express particular gratitude to those families who specify that memorials be sent Barium Springs in times of bereavement.

# JULY MEMORIALS

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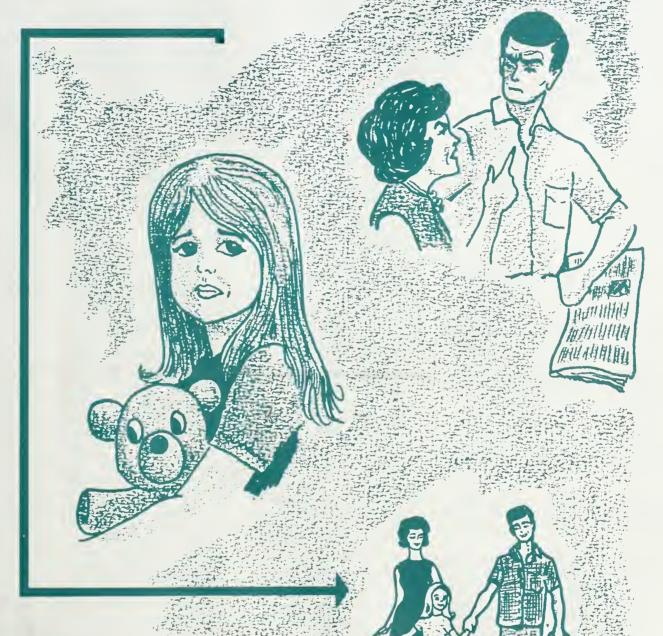
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#### WHAT DO YOU REALLY WANT?

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

The little girl came into the office. We talked a little, or at least I asked her several questions to which she gave polite and proper answers. She kept looking around the room until she spied the typewriter on the desk. "Can I type?" she said. "Go ahead," I replied, "but be careful."

She moved over into the desk chair, and after I had inserted some paper for her she began to pick and peck, very intent on what she was writing. I didn't say anything, just watched.

After a while she looked up from the keys. "I'm through. I wrote you a letter. Here," she said as she folded the paper and handed it to me. I took it and began to read.

Dear Mr. Barron,

I want CARE. PLEASE, please, please, please. qwertyuiop½! asdfghikl: The Valentines were quit """, AND SO ARE YOU. I Don,,,t want, nothing EI acbm.wzq tTHAT, syuioxzasdgnj.;1poi.

Jane Black

It was not difficult to translate the letter. It said very clearly, perhaps more so than the youngster meant to, "I want love. Please help me to find love."

What do we want? What are we seeking in life? Perhaps we are looking for success in business, fame, popularity, or the social limelight. Perhaps we think what we really want is a guaranteed future, money in the bank, and good health.

While all of these may be real goals for us we need to translate these words. Like the jumbled typing of the little girl these objectives hide a very basic need and desire. What we are really looking for is love.

Our desire for love grows out of our early experience in relation to our mothers. Consciously we do not remember, but within us is the memory of the infant's short-lived assurance that all is well with him and his world because his mother has fed him and holds him comfortingly in her arms.

That experience is gone forever, and as adults it isn't very appropriate for us. Yet the desire for the warm security of love remains and must be satisfied if we are to be healthy and happy persons. The question is how do we get it?

The answer to our question of receiving love comes when we understand the Christian paradox—we get when we give. When we realize that we are loved by Christ we may then begin to love. We cannot force the emotion or feeling of love, but we can act in a loving way toward another, no matter how much we seem to fail. We can begin where we are and love with what love we have. This beginning of loving on our part may arouse something of that warm glow we are seeking and need for our personal satisfaction.

In a recent issue of Guideposts, Marilyn Helleberg tells how as a little girl her grandmother mistakenly accused her of leaving on the record player. Knowing her brother was responsible but would not admit it, she gave him a swift kick under the table. For this she was punished by being sent to her room.

Lying on her bed she began to wail, "Nobody loves me, nobody loves me." Shortly her Aunt Alta entered the room and with sympathy told her she must have a terrible case of "Loveless-itis." Not seeing any spots, Marilyn was mystified.

Aunt Alta continued by saying that what she needed was a good prescription of the "magic love potion." And so giving her a pencil and a piece of paper she told her to list all the things she could love.

Author Helleberg said she couldn't remember everything she wrote, but that it started out with peanut butter and her favorite dolls, progressing through the members of the family, including her pesky brother, all the way to God. By the time she was through, she said, she was so full of love that she had forgotten about her problem. According to Marilyn Helleberg she has continued to use this magic love potion on many occasions, having learned that the secret of overcoming a feeling of lovelessness, is somehow or another getting what love she has going in the direction of other persons.

What do we really want? Most of us want love. How do we get love? The only way to get love is to start loving.

### OFFICERS ELECTED





Deborah Duncan

Mike Walden

Officers were recently elected at the Pioneer and Senior High Fellowships of Little Joe's Church.

The new president of the Pioneers is 13 year old Deborah Duncan. Debbie attends Troutman Junior High School where she is president of the student council. She sings in the Chancel Choir and is an outstanding swimmer and diver. Other officers in the Pioneer Fellowship are: Donna Armstrong, vice-president; Ann Ellis, secretarytreasurer; Billy Long, seventh grade representative; and, Jeff Walden, eighth grade representative.

Serving his second term as president of the Senior High Fellowship is Mike Walden. Mike is a senior at South Iredell High School where he is a member of both the football and wrestling teams. He is 18 years old. Other Senior High officers are: Tim Harrison, vice-president; Janet Etri, secretary; McKinley, treasurer; Faye Mathis, ninth grade representative; Pat Walden, tenth grade representative; Steve Johnson, eleventh grade representative; and, Bonnie Brown. twelfth grade representative.

## Alumni News

Miller Blue, his wife and three children, Tom, Andrew and Heidi, stopped by Barium for a short visit. They had been in Hawaii for the past two years and are now living in San Diego. Miller has twentyeight years in the service of the Marine Corps and is a Colonel. He earned the Silver Star and two purple hearts in World War II. Later he fought in Korea, serving in China and worked as a liaison man with the State Department. He was the only Marine representing his country when Iwo Jima was returned to Japan. When the flag was raised on Iwo Jima, he represented the Marines. A couple of hours after he watched the flag being raised, he was wounded by a Japanese rifleman.

Ruth (Bobbitt) Tippett and Nina (Bobbitt) Bartol, from Norfolk, made an afternoon visit to Barium.

Ernest and May Ellen Stricklin and their two daughters, Rebecca and Martha, were in Jamaica this summer. Ernest and May Ellen were at the University of West Indies lecturing at a Seminar in Family Education. Rebecca is in the 10th grade this year and Martha in the 6th grade.

Mary Frances (Price) Misenheimer brought her Sunday School Class from Granite Quarry for morning worship and for dinner in the dining room on October 6th.

Neely Ford, from Canton, spent a week here recently doing some substitute work.

Ruth Lowrance Rhyne returned to Jacksonville, Florida after spending two months with her mother at Barium.

Wilson Lowrance has been appointed to a new position of Director of Planning and Develop-ment at Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville. In this position Wilson will be responsible for immediate and long range plans for development.

In the election of officers for the choir at the First Presbyterian Church of Statesville, John Donaldson was elected Treasurer for the

Lee Vinson Clements and her son, of Durham, made a visit to Barium.

Gene Taylor was a recent visitor to Barium. He has recently completed his tenure in service.

Wilma Bush Tyndall made a short visit to Barium.

Al Blake, who is in the Navy, spent a few days at Barium.

Lee Spencer attended the meeting of Men of Concord Presbytery at Barium on September 16th.

Charles Faircloth and his family joined the Hudson Memorial Church in Raleigh on October 20th.

Rufus and Joe Long came by Barium for a short visit. They had been to Glendale Springs for the funeral of their father. Rufus and his family are in Seoul, Korea for two years where Rufus is Banking Advisor. This is Private Enterprise and Finance Division, U. S. Operation Mission to Korea. Peggy has painted a mural for our leprosy hospital in Soon Chun and is doing the illustrations for a book that a doctor has written. Rufus and Peggy have five children. Rufus is a Colonel in the Air Force Reserve.

Joe and Martha (Price) Long and their daughter, Helen, are at McGuire A.F.B. Joe spent a year in Vietnam and is now flying all over the world as a pilot on a Jet transport. He was in Vietnam last week and had a trip scheduled for Germany this week. Joe is a Major and has around twenty years in the Air Corps.

Virginia Long Kale of Charlotte passed away in September.

Correction: In naming officers for Alumni Association in the September issue Sallie Farmer Cole was erroneously listed as Vice-President. She is Secretary and Treasurer and Donald Mitchell is Vice-President.

Rencil Edmund, who is in the Marines, visited Barium.

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We are approaching the season of Thanksgiving whereupon I, as Business Manager of Barium Springs Home for Children, am given this opportunity to wax eloquent over the glories of our country and its affluences; and then to tie this glory to the wonderful feeling of sharing with Barium Springs, all the while giving thanks for the opportunity to do so. This is already enough of the double talk we've heard so much this year as in all political years. I also want to forget the delicious platitudes about opening your hearts and your pocketbooks to these dear children. I prefer to use plain language that will lay bare the facts and introduce you to the way it really is.

As a person primarily involved in the everyday affairs of buying, paying, keeping records and maintaining a family of my own, I am a pragmatist. As such, I know that inflation makes all necessary products cost more, loans take longer to repay at higher rates of interest and niceties that make living better than existing eat income. This makes it hurt to send something to "that orphanage" or to drop an extra buck or two in the plate for the special Thanksgiving offering.

In recently browsing through some very old records I discovered the monthly news publication of an orphanage which was dated February, 1897. One article which naturally caught my eye reads as follows:

One thousand dollars founds a a scholarship, the interest of which may be sixty or seventy dollars. This annual sum will provide food \$35, raiment and shoes \$15, tuition \$5, and Matron's care \$5 for the child.

This was seventy-one years and a million miles from today. Let's examine realities. In 1897 virtually every child in a child caring institution was an orphan. Anywhere from twenty to forty children lived in a cottage with one matron. The times were less demanding, slower, custodial and with very little personal attention given to each child. Generally speaking, the children were fed, clothed, and afforded a place to sleep.

Today we face an entirely different challenge. Less than two per cent of children in institutional care are orphans. A few more have only one living parent. Most are the victims of unfortunate family situations. So—please don't call us an orphanage!! We care for children who need us regardless of circumstance. We also try to repair a family structure to which a child an return. We are, therefore, a 'Family Service' agency.

Agencies like ours have changed

radically their scope and focus. We've adjusted to the times. Unfortunately, many people consider us in terms of 1897. Food that cost \$35 in 1897 now costs \$300. Clothing, then \$15 is now \$150. Tuition is hard to relate to anything currently meaningful but whatever \$5 bought won't go very far. The per child cost per year for houseparents has gone from \$5 to approximately \$300 and this is not enough. How would you like to have twelve children who are not your own? If you would please contact us. We may have a place for you!

The point is that many people still think of Barium Springs as an orphanage filled with sweet innocent babes grateful for every crumb. Still worse, they gear their giving to this thought. Remember please that most of our youngsters come from troubled backgrounds. They require special help: counseling, guidance, educational tutoring, and oftentimes professional psychological treatment. Furthermore, it is essential to maintain a highly competent and trained staff of caseworkers to research each child's history and determine the best course for him. These people also serve as liason between child and parent to keep open lines of communication and to aim toward the child's return to his own home. This could well be part of what was called tuition in 1897. If such is the case, the cost per child now is many many times more than 1897's \$5. To put it in straight terms, WE NEED YOUR HELP! Some say that with the passing of the era of orphans, child caring institutions are passe. This is diametrically contrary to the truth. The focus has changed, but the challenge and the need is greater than ever.

In 1897 the appeal was for \$1,-000. This sounds like a great deal of money to most of us yet, but that was seventy-one years ago. Granted, it was an endowment project and not for daily expenses. The fact remains, it was asked of living donors, not as a bequeathed sum to be paid at death. Naturally, everybody cannot be expected to give us \$1,000. Of course, some could be expected to give more. I simply ask you to update your thinking. If you as a Presbyterian would probably have given Barium Springs Orphanage \$1 in 1897, then give Barium Springs Home for Children \$20 this year. If you would have given \$5 in '97, consider \$100 in '68. Find your own level-but make sure it's a 1968 plateau. We can't perform our particular ministry on Late Victorian generosity.

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# LIVING MEMORIALS

### Why Memorials?

Gifts as "Memorials" are most appropriate in expressing sympathy when honoring the memory of a loved one or a friend.

When memorials are given to be used to help the living they become living memorials. As such they are not only a beautiful way to pay tribute to someone but are a perpetual memorial that lives forever.

Suitable memorials can be given in glass or stone or other materials but eventually they give way to time or circumstance. A living memorial like those sent to Barium Springs will continue to help throughour the years.

Memorials are thoughtful contributions and are generously given in loving and lasting memory. They ought to be very much a part of our stewardship.

Memorial gifts are a convenient way to express the loss of a friend or loved one. It's as simple as writing a check. These gifts can be given in any amount from \$1.00 to \$1000.00 (excluding some more liberal bequests).

Normally we think of memorials as being in memory of a departed friend or loved one, but this is not necessarily true. Recently two daughters gave a generous memorial to their mother who had attained her 100th birthday. Parents and/or children have continued to send a gift each year to honor one they love.

Gifts as "Memorials" can take many forms and be used to serve many purposes. They are tax deductible as gifts when sent to Barium Springs. They provide income for very important parts of the program and for this, as well as other reasons, memorials are very much desired and needed.

# Alumni News

On August 30th Linda Byrd was married to Jimmy Joe Garcia of Austin, Texas. He is employed by the Post Office Department and she is working in the Student Financial Aids Department at the University of Texas. They are living in Austin.

Lt. Raymond Good and his wife visited Barium recently. He is in the Navy and they live in Chula Vista, California.

Al Blake spent a few days at Barium Springs. He is in the Submarine Division and stationed at Charleston Naval Shipyard.

Rencil Edmund spent several



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To: Ail Memorial Gift Friends

Dear Friends.

Not often do i write a personal letter and print it in this fashion. However, our memorial gift contributors are a very special group of people. Each of you deserve a special letter. I hope you will receive this one as a personal as well as an official expression of our Agency's deep gratitude for the memorial gifts which you have so generously sent to us.

There may be a finer way, but if so i do not know what it would be, to pay tribute to a friend or loved one. Families to which we send a formal acknowledgement of gifts received continue to express to us their gratitude.

We are especially appreciative of those familles who designate Barium Springs to receive these gifts. Our agency is indebted to you and all others. As you read each issue of The Messenger and see the long list, you can understand that these gifts must play a very significant role in providing income to give many valuable services to these children and young people.

Again let me thank you for what you have done in the past. May we invite you and others to continue to aid us with these memorials as we seek to provide this ministry of the Church to boys and girls and their families who need our help.

Memorial gifts are a very meaningful part of our total resources.

Sincerely yours,

lat K. Reiney

Executive Director

REMEMBER BARIUM SPRINGS IN YOUR WILL

days on campus. After his leave he was to report to California and then go to Vietnam.

Gene Taylor has accepted a position with the Guilford County Department of Public Health in the Sanitation Department.

A daughter, Andrea Leigh, was born to Peggy (Bridgers) and Bill Brown of Troutman on October 27. At present Bill is in Vietnam as a Lieutenant in the Army and Peggy is with his people in Troutman.

A son, Jonathan Lane, was born to Celia (Donaldson) and Larry Putman on October 29. Celia and Larry live in Mooresville.

Charles Donaldson, who is in the Air Force, visited at home a few days recently.

Joyce Kelly McClure and her daughter, Cathy, came for morning worship and had lunch in the dining room.

Hilda Bernardo, Arthur Roach and Charles Barrett attended a committee meeting at Barium recently.

Lorena Clark Piner is Librarian at the Lucile Sanders School in Fayetteville. She attended the School Library Division of the American Library Association in Durham and also attended the Southeastern District Meeting of the North Carolina Education Association in Wilmington.

Letha Copeland is teaching at the Reed Ross High School in Fayetteville.

Willard C. Drye, a vice-president of North Carolina National Bank in Charlotte, is being transferred to the western area of the bank's National Division. He has been serving for the past year as an area account officer in the South Atlantic Area.

# Why Barium Springs?

We have tried to say in another article "Why Memorials?" Hopefully you have read it and now want to share your memorial gift with this ministry of the Church.

The most important contribution which memorial gifts make to the agency's overall service is the undergirding of its total educational program.

First, there is its Christian Education program. As you would expect this phase of our ministry is certainly first to the children. While Christian education is largely one of providing fine Christian adult relationships for boys and girls, it also takes on a more formal institutional nature. Here this is done through Little Joe's Presbyterian Church where, in addition to the pastor, there is a Director of Christian Education and in the summer months a seminary student.

Second, there is the program of advanced education. This year there are students in Pembroke College, Atlantic Christian College, Montreat - Anderson College, Mitchell College and East Carolina University, all receiving benefits from the Memorial Education Funds.

Third, there is the cost of keeping children in public education. Our budget for this item alone runs into the thousands of dollars. Children attend Troutman Elementary School and South Iredell High School.

Last, many of our children come to us behind in school. Some of them are very seriously handicapped and need special attention with their studies. All of this costs extra money.

If it were not for gifts as memorials much of this program could not be provided. All memorial gifts are appreciated and mean much in the agency's ministry to its boys and girls. You are invited to share in this ministry. Just address gifts to Barium Springs Home for Children, Barium Springs, N. C. 28010. Prompt acknowledgment is made.

Remember your gift to Barium is a living memorial in the life of a child. It shall live on into the future.

REMEMBER
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with a
YEAR END GIFT
Our income is short and such gifts will help to cover the deficit.



What does it mean to boys and girls who live at child caring institutions such as Barium?

A group of 13 year olds contributed most of the ideas which fol-

Those of us who have had the unearned good fortune of growing up with our own families can never really know. However, with imagination and help from the children here perhaps we can begin to understand. With this beginning knowledge we may also better understand the work of the Church through Barium Springs Home for Children.

#### LIVING AWAY FROM HOME AND FAMILY

Someone has described boys and girls living in various types of foster placement as children who are living in one place and loving in another. Almost without exception the children at Barium would prefer to be living at home with their own families. Their deepest loyalties, their most fervent hopes, their strongest love ties-all are reserved for and directed toward home. This is as it should be. No quantity of material "thing," no quality of program, no degree of caring by staff can change this fact. Regardless of the pros and cons of the home situation, despite the strengths and weaknesses of parents, no matter the logic or illogic or desires, home is where the heart remains. So first of all we say that to live at Barium means to be where one would prefer not to be-or more precisely stated—not to be where one would most prefer to be—at home.

#### TRANSPLANTED AMONG **STRANGERS**

Imagine a boy or girl who comes to live at Barium entering the central dining hall for his first meal. Immediately he encounters 110 other boys and girls staring, wondering, trying to figure out this newcomer. In some of the eyes he seems to see pity which says "I know how it is-rough." Other eyes seem to ask accusingly "What have you done" or "What did your parents do that caused you to be here?" Some seem to say, "You don't belong—yet." The newcomer searches all eyes and imagines all sorts of other messages which create new fears to add to old fears. It takes time to find one's place among so many. But at least the boys and girls are understandable both in feeling and action. The really scary thing is all the adults around.

With about 45 on the staff our newcomer faces quite a chore just to get to know so many adults. And cannot forget the lesson which life has taught him so well-never trust anyone over thirty. Now, and many times later, our newcomer feels suspicion that his houseparent is only pretending to like him, that his work supervisor is simply trying to make him miserable, that administration is plotting to keep him away from his family and friends. It will be quite some time before he can begin to believe that, despite their many mistakes, staff members do want to help. This is not easy to believe—especially of strangers. And for all who come there is that time when living at Barium means to live with strangers—an unpleasant thought for anyone.

#### RESPONSIBLE TO EVERYONE

Another problem peculiar to these children is that one is surrounded by many adults to whom he is in some way responsible. Consider for a moment the child who lives in a cottage with his houseparent. Six days each month finds the houseparent off duty and a relief houseparent in charge. The child eats all but one meal each day in a central dining hall where another adult is in charge of the group at his table. Periodically the seating arrangement is changed and still another adult is present. He reports to a different adult for his work assignment which is changed approximately every three months. He sees the nurse for medical care, the caseworker for discussing problems and maintaining family ties, someone in the business office about money matters, etc. It is a tremendous problem for the youngster just to stay at peace with so many adults.

#### A GROUP SET APART

Boys and girls living at Barium cannot help but feel different despite all efforts to give them the normal opportunities, responsibilities, and experiences. When the Barium bus drives in to a ball game this is quite a contrast to all the family cars and families around. When a boy friend comes for a date little or no privacy is to be had (not to mention the competition of so many "sisters"). Statements of school expenses are turned in to the school office and we forwarded to the Business Office at Barium which is different. Other children pay their own fees or their parents come and pay. Simply the fact of always going places in large groups and other people knowing that "Barium is here" tends to set our children apart. There are many times when Barium students are involved in school activities and although staff members are almost always there to support them their parents are not present to be proud of them while their classmates are being encouraged and supported by their own parents. But perhaps the most damaging thing of all is the

tendency to lump all Barium.children together rather than seeing them as individuals. As is true with youth in general too much publicity is given to the minority who misbehave and not enough to the majority who live and grow up most responsibly. On and on we could go citing those things which make our children feel different. Suffice it to say they do feel differentand this is the one thing all children do not want.

#### NO PRIVACY

We have mentioned the lack of privacy. This is the subject of many complaints. Each cottage is a bustling house of 12 children and one or two adults. Too often when one needs simply to be alone one finds it impossible to escape the group. As a result, small irritations are shared and grow until, they end with an explosion with other children or an adult.

It is difficult, too, for children to have privacy for their personal Our society places a great deal of emphasis on teaching children to share. If this is good our children get excellent training! They must share. They have no choice. But do we not also have a need to hold some things very close and privately? To have some things which are ours without question, quarrel or guilt? This kind of private ownership is hard to come by for children here. For example: A bicycle may belong in fact to one boy but what army could keep 50 other boys-not to mention the 50 girls-off that bicycle? A girl may buy a can of hair spray but how long can it last in a cortage of 12 girls? This is simply another difficulty of living in a large group.

#### IT'S NOT ALL BAD

Lest the reader get the idea that caring for children in group is totally undesirable, let us cite some of the more positive facts about living at Barium. Children here do have attractive, comfortable and well-furnished cottages in which to live. They have as much or more material things as the average child in the average family. Barium boys and girls have ample opportunities to go places and they do enjoy this. There are opportunities for meaningful relationships with adults and most children develop, maintain. and make good use of several such relationships. Opportunities to become a part of the community through school and local activities are seized upon by our children and they excel in these activities. All is not had.

#### LOOKING BACK

We should not insinuate that we fail with those who do not form visible relationships nor enter into activities here or in the community. Even with those who leave and seem to have refused all offers and opportunities of help we cannot really know what living at Barium will someday mean for them. The following excerpts are from a letter written to a staff member by a child who left Barium:

"When I left Barium, I guess about the only person who believed I would make it was you, and to tell the truth, I didn't even think I would and really didn't care . . . You were the only person who really honestly

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and truly tried to help me and I gave you hell for thanks . . . I guess you can say that I'm growing up . . . I'm writing this to you because I have finally found out what you have been telling me all those times. Thank you very much!"

#### SUMMARY

We should not deceive ourselves by thinking that living at Barium is all peaches and cream. It is difficult. At the same time we should be proud that the Church provides a place for children who cannot live with their own familes—a place where they can get help. And if some seem to make use of this help we offer just as surely some will not. But if we do our job as best we can, who knows what use these children will make of this experience at a later date? The experience of living at Barium is always with them and its meaning can, and often does, change. Is this not also true for children growing up with their own families?

# Student Named To **Homecoming Court**



Debbie Kennedy was honored by being named to the Homecoming Court at South Iredell High School. The ceremonies were held in conjunction with the football game against traditional rival North Iredell on November 8.

Debbie is 17 and a senior at South High where she is a majorette in the Viking band. Her school activities include the Glee Club, Keyettes, Spanish Club and the Future Teachers Association. Upon graduation from high school, Debbie plans to seek a college edu-

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#### IN WEAKNESS

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

Usually we attempt to approach others in terms of strength. We put our best fronts forward and wade into the middle of the personal encounter with whatever power we can muster. It does not matter how strong we may really be. The point is to convince the other person that we are practically self-sufficient.

Adolescents are often very insecure, but they do not readily show it. Boys are quick to fight, particularly if there is gang support. Pressure from peers puts the youthful gladiator to test. Much sexual activity is a matter of proving masculinity. The automobile seems to give a peculiar sense of omnipotence to the youthful driver, and many a boy has driven head on into death deluded by such fantasy.

Perhaps the main motivation in such activity is the necessity of denying or covering up any and all feelings of weakness. We may easily admit some things, but we can not tolerate anyone else knowing that down deep inside we feel weak and afraid.

Our need to be strong is one of the greatest barriers to good personal relationships. Because two persons have a need to prove their strength, it becomes extremely difficult for either to let the other know his inner self. Both are afraid weaknesses may show up, and this would be in-

Recently I attended a church committee meeting which had been called to handle rather routine business matters. There was nothing particularly important about the transactions and certainly they were not controversial. For some reason or another one of the members of the group began to put on a show of strength.

First, as we introduced ourselves and told about our past history, he managed to make the most of this opportunity to speak impressively of what he had done and been. When the business began he proceeded to question some others about their personal views, hardly waiting for answers before showing off what he knew.

I was impressed by his knowledge of the subject, sharpness of language, and forcefulness of manner. However, he tended to make me feel inadequate, somewhat insecure, and fearful of competing with him in his field of force. In addition I sensed a similar reaction in most of the others present who began to "jokingly" attack him on the one hand or to retreat into silence on the other.

He made his point. He appeared strong. But he had blocked relationships between others and between others and himself.

In group experiences, such as interpersonal labs, I have seen this same dynamic at work over and over. A show of power or strength may be admired by other members of the group, but it usually threatens and evokes counter attack with accompanying hostility.

On the other hand, a show of weakness, an admission of what one really is at the core of existence, usually has the opposite effect. It is extremely threatening to admit that we are not some sort of "god," but the disclosure usually opens the doors to closer relationships of the finest sort. In fact a group cannot really get going until someone musters the courage to risk revealing his real condition before the others. He may feel that this is an extremely dangerous thing to do, but out of the sheer necessity of his particular problem he proceeds.

In one group the leader was under constant attack by a member who mustered as much strength as he could against her. Out of his own need, threatened by the female authority figure, he subtly tore her down. Finally he succeeded and she, not too secure in her position, was reduced to tears.

When she quit fighting back and quit trying to be strong, she had a different effect on her enemy. Immediately he ceased his hostility barrages and turned completely around, coming to her support and aid. He lost his need for proving strength in the fact of her admitted weakness. A lasting friendship was begun.

What shows up more easily in structured groups operates continually in daily life. What one learns in such groups may be put to effective use in ordinary relationships. While it is not always easy to put into practice, approaching the other in terms of weakness rather than strength seems to be a sound principle. We do not need to impress persons with our authority or power in order for them to relate to us or like us. Instead we may permit them to feel secure by not showing off strength we think we may possess. They are not interested in our power. They are interested in feeling secure in spite of their feeling of inner weakness.

We might have learned this a little sooner if we had taken to heart the words of Paul who learned from his Lord. "For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. And I was with you in weakness and in much fear and tremblin . . ." (I Corinthians 2:2,3) He effectively approached others in weakness, and so may we.

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Season's Greetings From All of Us To All of You.

#### COMMITMENT

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

Recently a cartoon in a leading magazine pictured a young man in the usual hippie attire—baggy trousers, sloppy sweater, and dirty sandals. His hair was shaggy, and his beard and mustache were unkempt. As he walked down the street he held a sign out in front of him. However, the placard was completely blank. It said nothing.

Trailing along behind him was a young woman dressed much the same way, except her long, stringy hair brushed a skirt instead of trousers. With a rather bewildered expression on her face she was saying, "But John, everybody has to be for something."

Part of the trouble with many of us today is that we do not have any sense of commitment. We are like the young man with the sign, just blanks. We cannot find anything worthwhile in which to invest our interest and energy. We do not commit our lives to anything.

We cannot get interested in anything outside of ourselves. We become self-centered and consequently reap the consequences of such self absorption, boredom, ennui, apathy, depression, and perhaps other psychological and physical disturbances.

This sort of condition leads us into further self absorption and into even more pain. Trying to solve these emotional problems we focus further on ourselves and promote more and more difficulties.

Victor Frankl, physician, speaks of this as "hyper-reflection." Uncommitted, we develop symptoms which in turn propagate themselves by continuing to hold our constant attention.

According to Dr.Frankl, our attention must be directed away from ourselves and from our self concern. We must be de-reflected from our problems to some great or large task or toward some significant persons. We must find some mission in life which will break the vicious circle. He speaks of the need for self-commitment.

Apparently this was a problem with the Rich Young Ruler. Even though he was highly educated and wealthy in his own right, he was not satisfied with his life as he experienced it. Something seemed to be missing, and he did not know exactly what it was. Apparently he was seeking for answers, but he could not get away from his absorption in himself

Then he met Jesus. Here was someone who challenged him in a new way. Someone who was different. Someone who might have the answers to his questions.

Jesus quickly saw the problem. The young man was centered on himself with his riches as the foci. He would never be able to find the full meaning of the eternal life because he could never quite get away from himself. So Jesus challenged him to give up his wealth and follow him. Herein lay his salvation. But he could not do this. He could not make this sort of commitment.

Such commitment can come only out of conviction, that whatever is holding our attention is not as important as something larger than ourselves. This sort of conviction is illustrated in the life of a young man, Franklin Delano Beggs. Married, he had one child and another on the way. However, he felt there was one thing more important than his personal family and happiness. He felt the need to help fight the war in Vietnam. But when he tried to enlist he was turned down because of too many dependents.

Beggs and his wife agreed that there was only one answer to this conviction of his, and, drastic as it may seem they agreed upon a divorce. After this fantastic step he went off for training and finally overseas as a helicopter pilot.

After being away for several months of hard and harrowing duty in Vietnam he returned to his home and remarried. Much decorated, he was something of a hero. To reporters he reflected on the pain of separation, but he was still firm in his conviction, "I would never have been satisfied with myself if I hadn't done it."

It is difficult for us to conceive of such commitment because we are lacking in such conviction. But this is the kind of commitment Jesus Christ is asking of us. Just as he challenged the Rich Young Ruler, so also he challenges us to quit thinking so much of ourselves, to stop hyperreflecting. "Realize that I am the greatest thing that this world has to offer even if in your present self-concern you cannot see past yourself."

When we have reached this conviction we may be on the way to real commitment. When we can say "I cannot be satisfied with myself apart from total consecration," then we may discover some release from the deadness of self-absorption.

#### LOVE VS INDIFFERENCE

The opposite of love is indifference. There are many who think that the opposite of love is hate. Psychologists tell us this is not true. What a cruel word "indifference". By certain smart sets in this materialistic world it is expressed in those cruel words heard much too often "I COULD CARE LESS".

The words that really count are: I CARE — WE CARE — THEY CARE

That fine organization, Alcoholics Anonymous has a code "You can be helped, and **WE CARE** enough to do it". Every church in the world says, "**WE CARE**".

For years now fine citizens of the United States have been sending CARE packages to needy people in other lands. In a similar way the United Nations came to be established to help to maintain peace because, after all, most countries do CARE.

One could go on and on telling about people and organizations who really do CARE. Finally, let us remember that Barium Springs was started because Christian people CARED. After the war in the late eighteen hundreds there were children orphaned and without homes. Someone CARED. The same spirit that motivated those who helped in the beginning still remains. Today WE CARE for children and their families who are in need.

WE CARE—powerful words because they contain the key word, 'love'.

Won't you **CARE MORE** this Christmas Season? Remember Barium Springs because **WE CARE** for boys and girls.

## BOARD OF REGENTS MEETS

The semi-annual meeting of the Board of Regents was held at The Home on Wednesday and Thursday, November 13 and 14. Mr. William C. Thacker, President, presided over the meeting with twenty-two of the twenty-four members present.

Reports were heard from all of the Committees as well as the report from the Executive Director.

Records showed that help was given to three hundred and thirty-eight children and their families during the fiscal year ending September 30th, 1968. This is a modern record number. It is even more pronounced when it is recognized that a family oriented program seeks rehabilitation and thus also includes help for the adults of the family.

The Regents were conducted through the new infirmary which is nearing completion and also took

note of other physical improvements. Of particular interest was the fact that the living rooms of all the children's cottages now have carpets. Also, it was observed that barns had been painted and new roofs had been put on four buildings.

The budget and finance committee presented the annual audited report for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1968. A deficit of slightly over \$16,000 was incurred during the year due to a full program being undertaken along with reduced budgeted giving by the Church.

Final action of the Board was to elect new officers to take office at the spring meeting. They are: Mr. George Williams, Jr., President; Mr. Robert Wesley, Vice-President; Mrs. John Nance, Secretary; and, Mr. Shepherd Speight, Jr., Treasurer. Date of the spring meeting was set for April 16-17, 1969.

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#### Alumni News

Born to Catherine and Jim Bunnell of Miami, Florida on November 17, a daughter, Karen Michelle.

Libby Woodall Huffstickler of Charlotte and James Woodall and his wife, Joan, of Harma, Louisiana made a short visit to Barium.

Marsha Ivey visited Barium with a group from her church, Comfort-Ashworth Presbyterian Church, in Fayetteville. Marsha is a Senior in High School. Linda was married to Edward Riddle in July. They live in Fayetteville.

Joey Gibbs, son of Marjorie and Joe Ben Gibbs, of Troutman was selected as most valuable Junior Varsity player of the year at South Iredell High School. The award was made at the banquet at the school on November 21st.

Gene Williamson spent the Thanksgiving holidays at Barium. He is a student at Pembroke College.

Charles Barrett has returned from a trip to Seattle and Des Moines, Iowa where he attended the Adult Education Association U.S.A. Conference. At the meeting he was elected chairman of the Associations' Community College Committee.

Myrtle Rushing Johnson and her son, Bill, visited Barium with a group of senior highs from the Maxton Presbyterian Church on December 1st. Myrtle wrote that she particularly enjoyed worshiping again in Little Joe's Church.

#### SUMMER WORK

Hey there, college student! Looking for a challenging summer job opportunity?

We are now accepting applications for our summer activities staff. We are seeking alert, creative young men and women of Christian conviction who are capable of establishing meaningful relationships with our boys and girls in a summer program of recreation, arts and crafts, youth fellowship in Little Joe's Church, and related activities. We would prefer applicants who have completed their sophomore year in college but will consider younger persons if they possess the qualifications and maturity we need.

Those employed must be able to work from the first of June through the month of August. They will work six days per week with additional time off provided when scheduling permits. The salary will be comparable to that paid summer camp counselors and full room and board will be furnished.

If you're a college student who would like to further explore the possibility of working with us next summer, drop us a line. If you know of a student who might be interested, why not pass this copy of The Messenger on to him or her?

Please direct replies to:

T. J. Gilmore, Director of Youth Activities Barium Springs Home for Children Barium Springs, N. C. 28010



This morning as I look out of the window from a comfortable and attractive office and see the wonderful world God has given us to enjoy I am mindful of all the blessings we have received.

We are especially grateful for our friends over the Synod and far away who have done so much for the boys and girls this year and in years past. Every day is a thanksgiving day for us and we want each day to be a thanks-living day. Over and over we marvel at the goodness of you who do for those whom you do not know or perhaps will never know. We have appreciated your love and concern and have tried to be good stewards of the gifts you have sent.

There are some things we would like to mention that you can do for

One of the first and most important things is to pray for the work being done and those who are privileged to carry out the task. "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of" and we covet your prayers for the service rendered to the boys and girls in this part of God's vineyard.

Second you can help us by being better informed about the program that we are carrying out. We believe we have a program worthy of your support. Changes have come about in program and personnel. To have progress we must change. Each generation builds upon the advances made by those who have gone before. However there are the basic principles that have not changed-those things that make for the development of Christian character.

Let me mention a few ways that will help you to be better informed.

Read THE BARIUM MESSEN-GER-If you are not receiving this monthly paper send us your name and address.

Make a visit to Barium and see the physical plant, meet members of the staff and the boys and girls.

Give a member of the staff an opportunity to speak in your

Be enthusiastic about the Home -Enthusiasm is contagious.

We are happy to answer your letters concerning any part of the work here. We welcome constructive criticism and can take adverse criticism.

Aside from the regular support, which is necessary to keep the work going, there are material things you can do and have done that are a great help to us. We would like to mention some things many of you have sent recently — quilts, linens, cosmetics, toilet articles, jellies and jams, homemade cakes, etc. All of these have been put to use and enjoyed and we can continue to use these or similar things.

The cottages in which the boys and girls live are comfortable and we are trying to make them more attractive. We need draperies or curtains for bedrooms, lamps for bedrooms, pictures, full length mirrors, bath mats, linens, toilet articles, etc.

It has been a great help to us that many of you have contributed to the allowance fund and we hope that you will continue this service.

We have told you of some of the ways you may be of help to us. Now, please tell us how we may better serve you—the Church.

We are looking forward to the joyous and blessed Christmas season. Many lovely packages are arriving daily showing your love and unselfish sharing.

We hope the Christmas season will be a very happy and peaceful one for you and that all of us may remember the true meaning of Christmas. As you face the New

"May the coming Year have much in store for you;

May it bring you peace and well being, too.

May this Holiday bring you gladness and cheer.

And may it last throughout the

May good things in abundance come your way;

May cheerful and bright be each

May Christmas bounty and good cheer

Be yours, my friend, throughout

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# Holiday Greetings

We hope our message on the front page adequately expresses our greetings for a HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON. It is not possible to thank each person as we would like to but we want all our friends to know that they are a special group. Letters have been written but if anyone has been overlooked, it was by mistake. Many, many thanks and best wishes to all.



### WANT A REWARDING PROJECT?

- Clathe a child.
- Provide spending allowance for a child.
- Send a child to church camp.
- Provide curtains for children's raams.
- Furnish bathraom sets far a cottage.
- Provide pictures for children's rooms.
- Send daily paper or magazines to cottages.
- Furnish rugs far a cottage.
- Make curtains for bedrooms.
- Give a callege schalarship.
- Help pay far remedial education.

Buy glasses far a needy child.

- Help support a child in his own home.
- Furnish practice typewriter.
- Add items af interest to Hame's Manger Scene.
- Furnish table and floor lamps for cottages.
- Help supply luggage far children.

Write: MISS REBEKAH CARPENTER

## BARIUM SPRINGS HOME FOR CHILDREN

BARIUM SPRINGS, NORTH CAROLINA 28010

# Some Recent Happenings

All children through the first six grades were guests of the Davidson College fraternities on December 5th. A really great time was experienced. Thanks again for this annual party goes to a fine group of young men.

The Annual Shrine Bowl is a cherished event and this year thirtyeight boys were the guests of the Shriners for the All-Star game on Saturday, December 7th. Its hard to tell whether the boys enjoy the game or the food better.

On Monday, December 16th, the staff all got together for their annual seafood dinner. This year the dinner was dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Clendenin. Mr. Clendenin has resigned effective January 1, 1969. He has been employed in the orchard for a total of thirty-six years and only leaves now due to the illness of his wife.

What has now become a most enjoyable regular event of the Christmas season is the live Manger Scene at Little Joe's Church. Facing U. S. Highway 21, it attracts "stoppers" night and day.

Friday night, December 20th, was set aside for the Christmas program at the Church. The program this year was prepared by the boys and girls themselves under the direction of Mr. Jim Gilmore, Director, of Youth Activities. It featured the story of the birth of Christ and

its meaning for us today.

On Saturday, December 21st, all children left for Christmas vacation with relatives and friends. Child care staff, as well as some others, also were able to get some rest and relaxation during this period. They will return on January 1st since school starts again on Thursday, January 2nd. 

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Barium Springs Home For Children Barium Springs, N. C. 28010

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# THANKS

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The tinsel and ornaments, wrappings and ribbons, Christmas trees and lighted candles have been put away for another year but we will remember all year the happiness and excitement of the season. Now we want to ponder for awhile and reflect on the thoughtfulness and goodness of all who helped make this such a wonderful Christmas season for the boys and girls. We wish we could thank each of you individually.

The packages began arriving early, some delivered beautifully wrapped and giving us an opportunity to visit with some of the people bringing them. Others came by mail, by bus and motor express well wrapped and marked. All the boys and girls were abounding with excitement and anticipation and trying to get a peep in Santa's store room.

I wish you could have seen the pretty clothes that came and the dressed up folks going to school January 2nd. There were walkietalkies, record players, cosmetics, hair falls, shoe shine kits, watches, Johnny Speed cars and numerous other things. Each boy and girl wrote a letter mentioning some things they would like to have and these were mailed to those who had requested a letter or letters. In addition, many of you sent lovely wrapped packages marked for a boy or girl, which we could use as needed. You sent canned goods, linens, toilet articles, cosmetics and other things. We appreciated all of this. Some of you had a "White Christmas" in your church and brought the gifts to us. A scout troop from Shelby brought stuffed animals to the smaller girls and boys and other scout troops sent individual gifts. The Women of Spencer Church brought beautiful waste baskets and pillows they had made. The American Telephone and Telegraph Co:npany in Charlotte. Erwin Mills at Cooleemee, Quality Mills in Carthage, Technical Furniture Company in Statesville, Happy Helpers, St. Andrews Covenant Church in Wilmington, Shiloh Presbyterian Church in Grover, Sherwood Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville, Jason Presbyterian Church in La Grange, Jonesboro Presbyterian Church in Sanford, Eureka Presbyterian Church, Bunnlevel Presbyterian Church, Locust Presbyterian Church, and Uniglass Company in Statesville were some of the contributors. I am sure there are others not mentioned that sent gifts.

We received money marked for the Christmas fund and appreciated this as we do not put this item in our budget. Let me mention a Pioneer Group of St. Pauls Presbyterian Church in Charlotte raking leaves and bringing us a check for \$53.00. Wasn't that wonderful? Other young peoples' groups sent gifts.

Since 1945 Mr. Robert Stowe has come before Christmas and brought

# "Unfinished Business!"



If a sudden accident should take your life—would you have some "unfinished business"?

Would all your affairs be in order?

Would your will be ready, so that your loved ones would be protected?

Would your church and the various causes which have been so dear to you through the years be remembered?

All earthly possessions are a trust from God and loaned to us for a time. Will a portion of your "unfinished business" be returned to God upon your death?

Benevolence is the "...eternally unfinished business," because we will always have underprivileged and needy people throughout the world.

gifts and an envelope with money to each boy and girl. This year he brought a magician who entertained during the program. Mr. Jim Dixon also has given of his time to come and show beautiful Christmas films. These two friends are from Belmont.

We have enjoyed delicious cakes in the dining room brought by First Presbyterian Church in Hickory and at Thanksgiving the Blacknall Presbyterian Church in Durham. Some of you sent jellies and jams which came in so good.

The party given by the Davidson College Fraternities for smaller children is another high light of the Christmas season.

Before Christmas we had a letter that Mattel, Inc. had included Barium along with forty-four other Homes to receive toys and these were shown on the Dean Martin Christmas Special Show. There are many toys that will be enjoyed all through the year.

We received so much! What can we give? We value your friendship and love. Who could ask for more? We wish for each of you a wonderful year.

# **Sermons We See**

I'd rather see a sermon than hear one any day,

I'd rather one would walk with me than merely show the way.

The eye is a better pupil, and more willing than the ear,

Fine counsel is confusion, but examples is always clear.

And the best of all the preachers are the men who live their creed,

For to see the good in action is what everybody needs.

I can soon learn how to do it if you let me see it done,

I can watch your hands in action but your tongue too fast may run.

And the lectures you deliver may be very wise and true,

But I'd rather get your lesson by observing what you do.

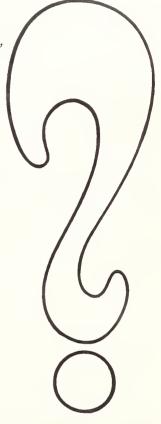
For I may misunderstand you and the high advice you give,

But there's no misunderstanding how you act or how you live.

-Author Unknown

"Lift up your hearts
For mercy starts
Where pain is seen...
And your ability to help!"

HAVE YOU MADE A WILL



Seven out of eight Americans die without making out a will.

When there is no will, the family has no control over distribution. The court makes the will.

Did you know that 450,000 American women become widows each year? For lack of advance preparation a great number of them run the risk of gnawing worry, loss of money, and in many cases severe hardship.

There is a great need among people to stress the need for estate planning and the making of wills. Those of us in roles of leadership in the Church need to help people to face the realities of death without proper planning. Its a part of good stewardship for us to do so.

Also we need to confront Presbyterians with Christian stewardship responsibilities, and increase their understanding of how the division of their estates after death can reflect their life-time interests and purposes through expanding the efforts of Christian institutions.

Yes, we can be "stewards in death, as in life." But to do so we need to plan wisely. Your attorney or financial advisor should be consulted. Also, the head of any Presbyterian institution in North Carolina will be glad to consult with you both to give information about his own institution and to give confidential advice to help with your planning.

Why not start the New Year 1969 by reviewing your Christian

Why not start the New Year 1969 by reviewing your Christian stewardship program and if you have made no will, do so, and if you have then check to see if your favorite Christian institution is a part of your planning. All need the help of a loving people.

## Alumni News

Clarence Robards, who travels for Laminated Parts Company of High Point, made a short visit to Barium. Clarence and Joyce have two children, Barbara, age 9, and Steve, who is at Georgia Military School.

Charles Hyde, who is in the Marine Corps and has been in Vietnam, spent a few days at Barium and will be stationed at Camp Leieune.

Rencil Edmund was at Barium for a few days during the holidays. He left the first of the year for Vietnam.

Randy Salter was a recent visitor on the campus.

Mike Young, son of Ernestine (Garrett) and Lt. Col. John Young of Springfield, Virginia, was one of two from his high school chosen to be honored by the Optimist Club of that area during its annual Youth Appreciation Week. He has been selected by the teachers as the most outstanding senior boy in his school of over two thousand students. He is a member of the National Honor Society, German Honor Society, Key Club and Varsity football.

Al Blake, who is in the Navy and stationed with the Submarine Division in Charleston, South Carolina, spent the weekend at Barium recently

Jerry Brewer, from Durham, came for morning worship and had dinner in the dining room the first Sunday in January

Sunday in January.

We would like to thank all those who sent greetings at Christmas time, and we wish for each of you a wonderful year.

#### THE FAILURE OF SUCCESS

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

Most of us want to succeed. The average American wants to be first; he wants to win; he wants to be on top. Mike Todd, among other accomplishments, won an award for "Around the World in Eighty Days." When he died in an air accident his brother wanted to put a headstone at his grave shaped like a giant Oscar. There it would be for every one to

However, the man who centers his life around success is asking for trouble. The main reason is that by the nature of success everyone cannot succeed. We live in highly competitive world. Children fight for the most attention in the family. When they get in school the pressure is put on them to attain good grades. Socially they must compete with each other for levels of popularity. In athletics "many . . . run but only one wins the prize.

In the business and professional world there is constant rivalry for first place. Competitors seek all sorts of ways to get to the top, some legal and some a little underhanded. It doesn't seem to matter what the product or what the skill. As long as one feels that he is making a success, then everything is all right.

The trouble is that sooner or later most of us wake up to the realization that we are not going to reach that dream or win that goal that elusively slips our grasp. The time comes when we must face the fact of unresolved ambitions. If we have centered our lives around success then we certainly will be disappointed.

But suppose that suddenly we should become successful. How would we feel? Ross Lockbridge, Jr., earned very little as a college professor. Married with four children, his life was restricted to the sort of grind that goes with such circumstances. In 1941, Ross, who had been a very good student, began to write a novel. He couldn't afford paper so wrote on the back of waste sheets. His living quarters were so small that while he wrote the children played between his legs. For seven, severe years he wrote every night after teaching all day.

In January 1948 Raintree County turned out to be a great success. It went to the top of the best-seller market, making the Book of the Month choice. In addition he won a Metro Goldwyn Mayer contract. All told he earned one fourth of a million. Two months later he killed himself.

Playwright William Inge was surprised when his play Come Back, Little Sheba was a success, surprised at the way he felt about it. He said he didn't feel anything at all. He looked everywhere for the joy he had anticipated but there was none.

William James says that often those who appear to be the happiest and most successful men, the one most of the world envies, have within them a deep sense of failure. On the outside success seems to have been obtained, but on the inside the success tastes like ashes either because the goal is really higher than it appears or because once attained it just doesn't pay off.

This may suggest to us that success in itself is a vain goal. It promises much, but may reward little. Evidence points to the fact that many successful people, so called, are often unhappy. If they were content it was when they were striving for the success. The attainment of their goal let them down.

It may seem strange to suggest that there is a failure who is a success. The Apostle Paul discovered this paradox in his own life. When he wrote his letter to the Philippians he appears to be a defeated man. After a strenuous career he was confined to prison, probably awaiting execution. There was practically no hope of release. But Paul did not seem to be too concerned over his failure. He saw that his predicament in prison was an example of much else that had happened to him, beginning with his conversion experience in which he, a successful Pharisee, became a persecuted

In the way of God a person has to realize that he cannot be God too. It may take failure to find this out. Paul discovered that God was not interested in his success. But; God was interested in succeeding through Paul's failure, for here lay the channel for the power of God to succeed.

Paul learned this from Jesus Christ. By our standards Jesus was a complete failure. He set out to find a kingdom in which the will of God would be obeyed, but he was too much for some of his contemporaries, and they put him on a cross. He was out of the way before His kingdom got started—or so it appeared. The cross looked like a complete failure, utterly beyond any hope. But this failure turned. It turned to the success of freeing the Spirit of Christ to reign in the hearts of all men who would receive Him.

If success has been our god, then we probably have already failed. But the beauty of the Christian life is that even as we lose we win. In fact, it is when we realize our personal failure that we are in a position to turn to the true God, who must always be approached through the symbol of failure—the cross.





Now o fine herd of beef cottle, numbering almost 100 head provide on ample supply of beef for our needs. Along with on excellent swine herd providing both fresh and cured pork all year oround. Beef produced and used in one year totals in excess of ten tons or over 20,000 pounds gross weight. Fresh and cured pork reaches a total of almost 15,000 pounds, gross weight.

# We Believe In The Family

We at Barium Springs Home for Children believe in the family. This is the essential relationship for all of life. It should be protected and preserved even at great cost, because the family members suffer greatly when it is dissolved. The home is the basic unit of society. When an individual is denied the relationship of being a part of a family in a home, there is no other institution in society that can adequately fill the gap. Because of this every effort should be made by society and the Church to keep family members together even in the face of tremendous odds.

More especially, we believe in the Christian family. This is the ideal relationship in which family members can live, because it is governed by the standards and principles of Jesus Christ. Not all families can be completely Christian, but it becomes the responsibility of all of us to do whatever we can to encourage the adoption of these standards or even just so small a part of them. It is through this process that a family is strengthened and encouraged to grow toward the ideal of the Christian

Many families find themselves in trouble. When such happens, it becomes the responsibility of society, and more especially the Church to come to its aid in assisting it to overcome its difficulty. The purpose should be to add sufficient strength to assist the family to live through the moments of stress in order to maintain its unity, and to continue to exist as a family unit. The separation of members of the family for exceptionally long periods of time should be a last resort—only after all other efforts have failed.

In other articles in the Barium Messenger, in the past, and there will be others in the future, we try to let you know how Barium Springs is helping these families to solve their problems. We shall continue to provide the very best professional help possible through this ministry of the Church to hold families together. When separation

#### APPRECIATION TO THE ALUMNI

The response to the letter sent out regarding the Educational building at Little Joe's Church has been good. Perhaps some of you have not received a letter as the Christmas season slowed us up some with mailing this out.

is a necessity then our effort shall always be to reunite the family and home at the earliest possible moment.

If the occasion arises for you to call on Barium for help with a family, don't be surprised if it takes weeks and even months to do all that is necessary to try to keep the family together, to help the family work through its problems, or, as a last resort, enter into a plan with Barium for the care of a child.

#### A CHILD

Children learn what they live.

If a child lives with criticism, he learns to condemn.

If a child lives with hostility, he learns to fight.

If a child lives with ridicule, he learns to be shy.

If a child lives with shame, he

learns to feel guilty.

If a child lives with tolerance, he learns to be patient. If a child lives with encouragement,

he learns confidence. If a child lives with praise, he

learns to appreciate. If a child lives with fairness, he learns justice.

If a child lives with security, he learns to have faith.

If a child lives with approval, he learns to like himself.

If a child lives with acceptance and friendship, He learns to find love in the world.

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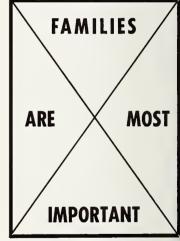
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In the course of a year there comes to the attention of an agency such as Barium Springs many and varied types of situations concerning families in need of help. During the fiscal year from October 1, 1967 to September 30, 1968, our Social Service Department studied the needs of 62 children from 44 families who made formal applications for service. Of these children, 44 were actually accepted into some phase of our program and others were helped to find the proper resources for their needs. In addition to this number of applications, our department was made aware of the the needs of 109 other children through telephone calls, letters, visits to the campus by inquirers or visits to the home community by one of our social workers. Although none of these came into care, many of them were helped through counseling or through referral to another agency which could more nearly meet their needs.

Add to these figures the number of children cared for in one of our services during the year—which is approximately 150-175 and the number discharged from care, which was 30 during the past fiscal year, and it can easily be seen that the needs of well over 300 children from around 225 families came under the influence of Barium Springs in a comparitively short period of time.

It is the desire and hope of the entire staff of our Home to meet the needs of these children and their families as they are presented to us. The needs continue and we want to extend ourselves to offer help whenever we are offered the opportunity to do so.

In order to present some idea and understanding of the nature of the conditions which prompt a referral to us the following brief illustrations are presented.

A welfare department in a Piedmont county was given the responsibility to make placement plans for two young brothers who had become involved in gang activities within their community. The family had been known to the department for a long period of time due to the chronic illness of the father and the cultural deprivation of both parents who had no formal education and few work experiences. Without proper supervision the boys fell under the influence of older boys and soon were being enticed by them to enter various business establishments to plunder and steal. When the police authorities finally caught the entire gang it was obvious that it needed to be disbanded. The welfare worker who had known this family felt the boys needed an opportunity to develop their potential rather than being sent to a training school. Following a study of the boys' needs, it was decided they could use the environment of Barium Springs to advantage. They were placed, have adjusted well, and are looking toward the time they can be reunited with their family on a permanent basis.

A young mother with three preschool children went to her pastor with her problem. Her husband had deserted the family after some years of abusing her and the children. Although she had a job, the income from it was not enough to maintain a home and pay someone to care for the children while she worked. It was felt by the social worker who was assigned to the family that the children should not be separated from their mother. With the counsel of her pastor, the decision was made to help this family by providing part of the salary of a maid to stay with the children during the mother's working hours and to help with the household duties so the mother would have time to spend with the children while she was in the home. The social worker visits the family each month and is pleased with the progress the family is making.

Following the death of her mother, Sue's father began to deteriorate mentally. Oftentimes he left her unsupervised and was unable to care for her adequately. When it was necessary for him to enter a mental hospital, community friends felt it best that Sue be cared for in group care. In getting to know Sue, she was found to be very immature. It was difficult for her to dress herself and to feed herself properly. Although entering adolescence she continued some baby talk. Psychological testing revealed that she had a good mind but needed guidance and a challenge to do her best academically.

Sue was brought to campus and placed in a cottage where she could find a warm accepting atmosphere. Friends who visit with Sue now tell us it is difficult for them to recognize this young girl as the same child they knew before coming to Barium Springs.

Dell came to us at the age of sixteen after having lived most of her life in another child caring institution. Somewhat behind in her schooling and professing no great interest in school, it was decided that her best interest would be met by receiving some type of vocational training. Since this was not available on our campus, Dell went to live in our group home for girls. Arrangements were made for her to continue school and to take vocational training as a nurses' aide. This had always been her ambition. She moved into her training with ease and soon was leading her class. She recently graduated from her course and was immediately employed in a job which seems to be suited to her training and personality.

The mother of three children felt

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another mental break coming on due to the pressures building up within her family situation. She was trying to work at two jobs in order to meet the many needs of her family. Her husband had deserted and was not helping with expenses even though ordered to do so by the court. He had left the state in order to further shirk his responsibilities. She came to us asking for guidance. Her doctor felt that relieving some of the pressures would save her from another hospitalization. In getting to know the family situation it was determined that the mother was a good manager, but had gotten in debt because of illness and the loss of household furniture during this illness. A plan was made with the mother to place her children during this school year. With the help of the social worker concerning budgeting, living arrangements and working conditions, this mother is looking forward to reuniting her family this summer. The chances are good that with some type of continuing relationship with Barium Springs following the children's return home this family will be able to make an adequate adjustment in the future.

These somewhat altered illustrations indicate some of the stresses and strains facing many families in today's society. We are always pleased when our agency is the helping hand extended to families in need and used for the rehabilitation of children and families for a brighter future.

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ASSIST in helping the HOME to secure adequate and qualified personnel for its needs?

COMMUNICATE with the Agency ta secure literature and informo-

tion about its program?

COOPERATE with your minister in his total church pragram and in particular how you might be used to help give educational emphasis on Benevolence, thus helping interpret the program of how your church makes it possible for Borium oprings to serve so many families and children in need?

COUNSEL with youth about choosing vocations in enabling them to serve in church homes in areas such as nursing, houseporent, dietitian, sociol work, administration, etc.?

GIVE time and energy for special occasions such as being chairman during the special offering season at Thanksgiving; or, even seeing that all interested members in your church are on the moiling list of The Messenger?

LEAD the Church in adopting special projects at the Hame, such as-furnishing needs of a cottoge, sending a child to higher education, providing a foster home for a child, taking care of the weekly cash ollowonce of one or mare children, and many other such projects that can be provided a lacol church only with the osking?

ORGANIZE groups to visit the Home, making arrangements with the administration in advance?

PROMOTE better understanding of the needs of children and families not anly in your church but in the community as well?

PROVIDE funds for the Home on a regular bosis as well os remembering them in your own Will and encauroging others to do the same?

RELATE the Church to all the wider services which need to be pravided in the name of Christ?

REMEMBER — — this Agency BELONGS TO YOU!!

# Happenings Around Campus

January 19 our Pioneer Fellowship group visited the Pioneers of First Church, Concord for supper and a most interesting program. Twenty-five of our seventh and eighth graders made the trip and had a great time.

Barium is well represented in the athletic program of South Iredell High School. Two of our sophomores, BILLY ELLIS and SUSAN McKINLEY have won starting positions on the boys and girls varsity basketball teams respectively. TOM GILMORE manages the var-sity boys team. TIM HARRISON manages the boys junior varsity quintet. On the school's freshman basketball team, LARRY ELLIS and STEVE GILMORE are starters and CHARLES McKINLEY serves as manager. FAYE MATHIS is a member of the freshman girls team.

On the South Iredell wrestling squad, MIKE WALDEN is in his outstanding season and MARK McDONALD is in his second year of competition and, since he's only a sophomore, should be ranked high in the conference by his senior year.

All our children enoyed free movies the entire month of January thanks to passes generously supplied by the management of the Playhouse Theatre in Statesville.

Many of our older children have been attending basketball games of the nationally ranked Davidson Wildcats as the guests of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. The fraternity program is directed by CHUCK MEN-DENHALL and has been thoroughly enjoyed by all who have participated.

Another program involving the Home and Davidson College is the participation of certain college students, and faculty, in our Senior High and Pioneer Fellowship programs once each month. This allows u ts obroaden the range of programs we can present and puts our children in contact with some outstanding young men. This project is being coordinated by CHARLEY BAKER a Davidson student as well as a member of our staff.

Our teenage center "The Hub" has replaced its old non-functioning juke box with a bright, shiny and exceedingly loud new one. All the hit tunes of the day are enjoyed by our teenagers. General consensus names CHARLENE HOLCOMBE as the best dancer on campus among the girls and RICKY SCRUGGS as tops among the boys. JUDY SIDES was making a strong bid for the title of "best girl dancer until an unfortunate accident put her leg in a cast slowing her down,

### Alumni News

John Hancock visited Barium recently. He had been in Viet Nam and was returning there after his leave.

Judy Bolton Dalton and her son, Brad, came for a visit. Her husband, Maynard, teaches in one of the high schools in Richmond and Judy is nursing in Intensive Care in one of the hospitals.

Forest Lee Hunt from Winston-Salem made a short visit to Barium.

Gene Williamson, student at Pembroke College, spent a few days here during semester break. Sharon Gilmore, a student at Pembroke, was at home with her parents during this time also.

Jeanette Grier Thomas, her husband, Dexter, and little girls, Kimley Diane and Paulette Grier, came for Sunday morning worship and dinner in the dining room. Kimley Diane was born December 12th. Bobby Grier is in New York going to school and working for Metropolitian Life Insurance Company.

In a recent publication from Kennedy Space Center Dwight Spencer's picture and write up oc-curred. "The Operation and Support Office, headed by Dwight Spencer, reviews and evaluates space vehicles and test and check out planes for compliance with program requirements and provides policy guidance. His group is responsible for the scheduling and preparation of the Launch Vehicles Assessment Report, Launch Readiness Review and Flight Readiness Review.

Martha Boyce Beale wrote recently that Jack McKay of Birmingham had visited them in Portland. She said. "Jack is a good ambassador of Barium as he visits all over the

David Blalock, Junior at East Carolina, spent the week end with Don at Mitchell recently. While in Statesville he spent Saturday afternoon here. Don is on Mitchell basketball team and David attended a game on Saturday night.

Danny Jackins is working for the Post Office in Statesville. The announcement of his engagement and approaching marriage was made sometime ago by the girls parents.

Pat Cole, daughter of Ed and Sallie (Farmer) Cole of Statesville, is Supervisor of the Orthopedic floor at Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte.

Jack Jones, who lives in Chula Vista, California wrote an interesting letter. He has taught in the San Diego schools for sometime and enjoys working with children. He said, "Because of Barium I have an insight into children's behavior that cannot be gained through books or lectures. At present I am working out of the class room with beginning teachers and taking care of the discipline." Jack and his wife have three children—Stephen 14, Elizabeth 10, and Suzanne 3. Jack left here after completing the 9th grade and completed high school and col-

# Mrs. J. B. Johnston Passes Away

Mrs. Joseph B. Johnston, Sr., widow of the former superintendent of Barium Home, died in the Providence Convalescent Residence in Charlotte on January 18, 1969. She was in her ninetieth year. Her active years had been devoted to good works derived from an enduring Christian faith.

Mrs. Johnston was born in Spartanburg, S. C., on August 5, 1879. She was the daughter of Colonel William Lee Davidson, a Confederate veteran, and his wife Annie Irvine (Pagan) Davidson, and she was reared in Lincolnton, N. C., and in Chester, S. C. She took courses in the old Elizabeth (now Queens) College in Charlotte in preparation for stenographic work in Chester.

On January 29, 1907, she was married to Mr. Joseph Boudinot Johnston of Lincolnton, N. C. He had recently graduated from Davidson College. Their first home was in Helena, Alabama, where Mr. Johnston was superintendent of the Connors Steel Mill. Latet they moved to Lincolnton where he operated the Johnston Ice and Coal Company and served as mayor of the town.

In 1922, Mr. Johnston became superintendent of the Children's Home at Barium. For twenty-seven years he and Mrs. Johnston worked from small beginnings to raise standards to a position of national recognition. They both loved children (they had seven of their own) and they entered into the lives of their many charges with affection, understanding, and encouragement. Their home, which Mrs. Johnston called "Oakland," was for nearly three decades a place of hospitality, rest, and inspiration to others. Many honors were bestowed on Mr. Johnston including an LL.D. degree from Davidson College, the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award for unselfish service, the presidency of the Tri-State Conference of Orphanage Workers and of the N. C. Conference on Child Welfare.

Mrs. Johnston was behind her husband in all good works. When he retired from his position at Barium, the Messenger ran not only many complimentary notices of his successful career but a highly complimentary article on Mrs. Johnston by Miss Rebekah Carpenter.

Mr. Johnston died in 1951 after a brief retirement in Statesville, N. Č., and Mrs. Johnston and her daughter Lelia D. Johnston moved to Charlotte to live with her oldest sister Mrs. J. H. Marion. When Mrs. Marion died in 1960, they obtained an apartment in Charlotte and lived there until about four years ago when Mrs. Johnston had to be taken to the Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte. From then on until her death she was never again out of hospitals, nursing and convalescent homes. But she did not complain. To her frequent visitors, many old Barium boys and girls, she was always cheerful, cordial and a lesson in fortitude. Her life had seen many tragedies but she was always valiant. Her youngest sister, Mrs. J. W. Wilkinson of Charleston, was also a resident of the Providence Residence during the last six months and the two elderly ladies, both past eighty-five, frequently had morning or evening prayers and hymns together, a custom they had acquired in their father's home in their early youth. All of this family was musical and liked to sing together.

Mrs. Johnston was buried in Little Joe's churchyard in the family plot. Her husband and four of her seven children had preceded her to the grave. All but two of these are buried at Barium. The two who do not rest beside her are a baby girl who died in a tragic accident in Lincolnton and her youngest son Lieutenant Colonel James Davidson Johnston who was reared at Barium, graduated from Davidson College, received many decorations for military heroism and gave his life to his country in World War II.

She is survived by two sons, Dr. Joseph B. Johnston, Jr., of McLean, Va., and William Lee Davidson Johnston of Montevallo, Alabama, and a daughter Miss Lelia D. Johnston of Charlotte. The seven grandchildren are scattered from Massachusetts to Colorado to Alabama.

lege. He was in the army nine years. He and Raymond Good get to see each other occasionally.

Carl Farmer, son of Nelson and Dot Farmer of Statesville, is stationed at the Naval Hospital at Bethesda, Maryland. He was graduated from Hospital Corps School as the honor student of his class on December 5th. In a letter of commendation from the Naval Hospital Corps School at Great Lakes the Commanding Officer wrote, "You have demonstrated exceptional ability, initiative and devotion to

duty while undergoing a course of instruction. You attained a final scholastic average of 98.00 per cent and stood first in a class of sixty-six students. . . . He was also selected as student-of-the-month for November. . . Your reliability, courtesy, pride in your personal appearance, and the respect of your peers are traits which shall assure your future success as a Hospital Corps-

Ed Lyall, husband of Mable Shoaf, died February 2nd in Win-

#### THE CLOSING GAP

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

Bruce Larson says he has a friend that gives his family a big jigsaw puzzle every Christmas. They lay out the pieces and spend many hours trying to put the puzzle together. It proves to be a favorite pastime for the holidays.

One year after they had tried to match the pieces with the picture on the box they realized that the two were not the same. To make the work harder and more exciting the friend had put the puzzle in a different box. They spent several hours before they realized the difference.

Often it takes us a while to realize there exists a gap between what we are and what we should or would like to be. The pieces of our lives don't match the picture that is set before us. This is what the Apostle Paul must have had in mind when he wrote in Chapter 7 of Romans of the conflict between his will to do good and his seeming powerlessness to fulfill it.

Of course we realize that there exist gaps in all of life, gaps between the ideal and the actual. We can see it in our institutions. We have great documents such as the Declaration of Independence and the Bill of Rights, and we also have the crooked politicians and careless citizens who confuse the issues to suit their fancies. Or, we have a professional man very capable of mastering his field and contributing something very worthwhile to the world, and then we see him get involved in petty affairs of selfish interest that vitiate all he could contribute, and even the Church which is the Body of Christ. Should we compare what it stands for with the last meeting of the deacons or session?

Worst of all, though, is our own realization of the gap between what we know is right for us and our inability to lay hold. This very often produces in us a terrible feeling of guilt, or if the guilt remains hidden it may be expressed in terms of periodic lows or constant gloom. Of course it is possible to close the gap to some extent by lowering our standards. Some times this may be in order, as for instance when a man has been so ruthlessly indoctrinated with the need to succeed personally that his whole life seems to him a constant failure.

Others may try to close the gap by deluding themselves, fooling themselves into believing that they have arrived. If it is a spiritual illusion this may produce the kind of person found in some holiness sects.

Paul, however, did neither. He did not lower his standard, and he did not fool himself. What he did was to find deliverance in Jesus Christ, "Thanks be to God . . ." In other words, Paul found that he could bridge the gap, and that bridge over the chasm of his failure was Jesus Christ.

First of all he found that Jesus Christ forgave him for his failure to meet the standards of life. Perhaps this is the most important message that Jesus brought. There is forgiveness from sin. "You have not lived up to the law? Well, don't be surprised. No man ever has — except myself."

When the woman taken in adultery was brought to him, Jesus realized that it was a trap on the part of the Pharisees, but he was more concerned with her need, the gap between her life as it was being lived and as it might become. He shamed her accusers and forgave her, warning her to be careful not to slip back into her former sin. Even though she was an adulterous woman, far short of the ideal, the gap had been bridged.

Secondly, Paul realized, and how important a discovery, that Jesus Christ accepted him, gap and all. It did not matter that he was unable to reach his goal. It didn't matter that he could not lay hold of victory in the faith. It didn't even matter that the flesh seemed to have fallen to sin. What did count was that regardless of the condition of Paul, as long as he was in Christ, he was accepted in Christ's name.

What a tremendous surprise this must have been to others like Paul! What about the other Apostles? How it must have shaken them. There was Peter with his violent temper and his cowardice. There was Thomas with his doubt. There were the others with their various weaknesses, yet Jesus accepted them just as they were.

Finally, we see that when Jesus Christ forgives us for what we are, and accepts us as we are, then we can do the same thing for ourselves. The gap has been closed on his side; now it is up to us to close the gap on ours. We couldn't do it before because the divide seemed too broad and deep. Now, however, his arms are extended across, bridging the gap, and we know we can fit the right pieces of the puzzle to the right picture. We can lay aside false assumptions that have led us into our sin and into our failure and learn to live with the tension of our limitations. This is the victory in Christ.

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# OFF CAMPUS PROGRAMS— ADDITIONAL SERVICES TO FAMILIES

For the last two or three years through the Messenger, and in other ways, there has been increasing emphasis on working with, not just the child, but with the many complex problems of the total family. This has come about through a firm conviction that to help the child in the most beneficial way the stresses and strains of the entire family must be considered. The very fact that the child is referred to an agency such as Barium Springs speaks unmistakably that the normal functioning of his family is experiencing a period of crisis. Therefore, a child needing placement away from his own home necessitates planning and work with the whole family.

#### VARIETY OF SERVICES NEEDED

What does it mean to talk in terms of "family treatment?" Does this mean to "play down" the child's problem and minimize his need? There are some who say, "All the child needs is plenty of tender love and care." Not so! As important as they are, this does not give the child his family where he can establish his own identity and find his place in the constellation of a family unit. The physical and material things can be provided, plus love and care, but apart from his family, the days that usher him into adulthood are more difficult, as he struggles with inner conflicts, anxieties and hostilities about himself, his family and a society that makes it necessary for him to have to live away from home.

A family approach, then, is to help analyze and determine the factors that bear down upon them, and hopefully find ways to counteract these factors by diligent and

purposeful planning.

To implement this assistance a wide range of services are necessary; all of which this agency and very few others could provide. For this reason, a knowledge of resources in order to give direction in finding appropriate help is, we feel, a vital factor in serving those who come to us.

In the June, 1968 issue of the Messenger the results of a pastor's questionnaire showed areas of concern in the break-down of family life. Those pastors responding to a question about services needed in their community voted over-whelmingly for counseling services to families. Other areas, pointing out the scope of needed services mental health counseling, family life education, child education, etc. -were also noted.

#### PRESENT SERVICES

Where does your agency stand in view of the wide variety of services needed? For the child, the knowledge that work and planning is being done with his family, and that he is a part of this planning, is a very meaningful thing for him. Often one will say, "When is our next family conference?" He is aware that periodically the family comes to campus to review with the administrative staff the plan of care and how he fits into this plan.

The whole range of social services that provide a continuing tie to the family; casework conferences, planning vacations, etc., are a must in a forward moving agency program.

Children at the home attend schools in the community. However, because of situations from which they come many have difficulty in their school work. Some have a record of very irregular attendance. Others have experiences of having to attend many schools due to frequent family moves and unstable home condition. As a result of such conditions many move into our schools not prepared to compete with other students.

In an effort to help these children "catch up" a remedial program gives them additional help in a variety of subjects. During the school year two full time teachers provide this additional resource.

Recreation plays an important part in the growth and development of young people. A planned program of sports, games, swimming, etc., adds enjoyment and enrichment to the daily routine.

Medical services are provided in a modern infirmary with appropriate medical staff.

Is life at Barium all play and no work? Ask the boys and girls and a quick response will be, "No"! Within the farm, orchard, housewhole and maintenance framework the child is given some responsibilities; not primarily to get the work done, but as training in developing attitudes and inner values regarding work.

The church program provides the setting for nurture and develop-ment of spiritual and moral growth. To learn of God, His creation, and to gain awareness of oneself gives meaning and purpose of life.

#### OFF CAMPUS PROGRAMS

We learn from our continuing education in the school of experience that we cannot have a panacea for all of the family ills. We do not have all the answers, nor instant solutions for maintaining the mental health and emotional stability of all families. However the responsibility is ever present re-evaluation of services in search for more effective ways to meet the challenge of present day child and family disruptions.

This philosophy moved the

Board of Regents, through the longrange planning committee, two years ago, to a program of offcampus group homes. Our teenage home for girls in Charlotte and a similar home in Concord for boys have now been open for a year and a half. The value of this additional resource has been proven in other sections of the country, and its merits are no less true in our program. It gives these young people opportunities for employment, vocational curriculum and training heretofore not available to them. Already there has been evidence that we may have "lost" some young people except for these community settings.

The review of some families' needs reveal that the children should remain in their own homes, yet support and guidance is nec-Therefore, a program of Inessary. Home-Aid helps to meet this need. The family unit is maintained through financial and casework assistance.

Separated from campus is a nonresident program. This includes those young people who go to college and need continuing assistance for this endeavor. Some are in vocational training learning skills that prepare them for the demands of today's labor market.

Above you will note that one of the great concerns of pastors is that families could have more help in the area of counseling and guidance. We are aware that pastors, in most cases, are the first to be called upon when a family crisis arises. Our most effective means of help is through our work with the pastor. Therefore staff personnel is available for support and assistance.

#### GAPS IN SERVICE

We live in an increasingly complex society. Because of this, problems in families are more intricate and difficult, making solutions more illusive. To keep pace with this change the trend is moving gradually toward more specialized services. This is pointed out in studies that indicate the need for a constellation of services ranging from family counseling to substitute care away from home.

Emergency or shelter care is an area where available resources do not seem to meet the demand for good interim care. The question comes-what do we mean by interim care? Actually this means children who are in transient, not knowing what the plan of care is for them. This status may suddenly come upon them because of parental illness, physical or mental, with no one to whom they can turn. It may come because of desertion, divorce, abuse, etc. At this point the social agency involvedusually the department of public welfare-needs a resource that will meet the needs of the child while determination is made of what more permanent plan is needed.

· Recently there has been an encouraging development for emergency needs of children. Some months ago a request came to us from the First Presbyterian Church in Shelby to meet with them. They asked what needs existed in child care, and what they could do to help. The possibility for shelter care was discussed. The group was immediately interested. They asked that a study of the community be made to substantiate the need.

Upon completion of the study,

the indicated need was such that suggestion was made that this may become a broader community effort in cooperation with other churches. The proposed project was presented to four other church denominations: Baptist, Methodist, Lutheran, and Episcopal. Full endorsement was given by their boards. Consequently a board of directors was elected representing the five churches, and the Shelter Home of Cleveland County, Inc. was formed

The home is a large residence that will accommodate eight (8) children, and a man and wife couple for its day by day operation. The opening of the home is expected about February 15, 1969. Children served will be both boys and girls who need care, from infancy through high school years. Length of stay may be from a minimum of one day to a maximum of ninety days. During this time a social agency will be working out a more permanent plan for the

#### OTHER AREAS

The need for increased day care services in many areas have been cited effectively in other studies and publications. Plans are under way for a center on the Barium Springs Campus to help meet the needs of the surrounding area. A second purpose is to provide consultation and direction to church groups throughout Synod who feel their church could provide this needed service in their own community.

Recently a representative from the child welfare section of the State Department of Public Welfare visited our campus. He also visited one of our group home facilities. New approaches are being sought by the state to more adequately serve those in the category of juvenile delinquents: more specifically those who have been in training schools, and who need a more rehabilitative setting upon their return to the community.

The over-all focus of a good child care program is aimed toward assisting, and working with family problems of which the child is a part. The range of services needed to meet this demand continually increases. This co-incides with the steady movement toward more specialized services.

The off-campus programs add to the resources available in search for solutions to these difficulties. Already on the horizon are signs of new approaches and techniques that will strengthen and enhance our program, helping us to keep up with child and family needs that are ever changing.

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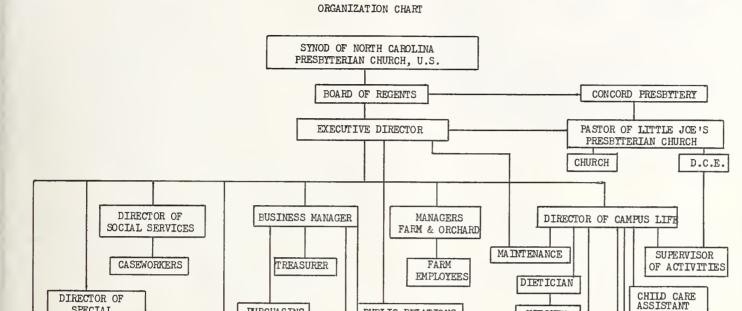
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dren is a Service Agency. Thus, it is organized for service. We call it The Presbyterian Family Service Agency. Hopefully, you will want to look over the chart above and read the following comments about the organization to better understand our work and program.

SPECIAL

SERVICES

DIRECTOR OF CHILD

DEVELOPMENT CENTER

The first essential fact to note is that the Agency is owned and operated by the Synod of North Carolina, Presbyterian Church, U. S. This has been true since its founding in 1891. Its location has always been Barium Springs, Iredell County, North Carolina.

There is a rotating Board of Regents elected annually by the Synod. The Regents are elected to three year terms for a miximum of two terms. They meet semi-annually to set policy and review the operation of the program. The Regents are organized into committees, including an Executive Committee, who meet on the day preceding the Board meeting, when they discuss with various staff members all aspects of the agency's services, as well as administration. A most important function of the Board is to employ an Executive Director who is the chief administrator. They also elect a Treasurer.

The Church is, as it has always been, an integral part of the Agency. It is the focus that shapes the Agency's philosophy and life. It is one of the things that makes a big difference between the agency and a private secular agency Little Joe's Presbyterian Church is located on the campus at Barium Springs. It is a member of Concord Presbytery, elects a Session and Diaconate, and

Barium Springs Home for Chil- calls a pastor. All the children and mum of good relationships between most of the staff attend the campus church and participate in activities such as Sunday School, youth work and worship services. The agency employs a Supervisor of Activities who is the Director of Christian Education at the Church. Even though Little Joe's is a community church, it must be supported liberally from the agency's budget.

> Minister of Little Joe's Church is the Reverend Earle Barron and Mr. Jim Gilmore is Director of Christian Education.

> The Executive Director is the administrator responsible directly to the Board of Regents for carrying out policy, employing and supervising a staff who provide the direct services. It is noted from the above chart that at present there are seven staff positions under the Executive Director who have administrative responsibilities, as fol-

- 1. Director of Campus Life
- 2. Director of Social Services
- 3. Managers of Farm and Orchard
- 4. Business Manager and Treasurer
- 5. Director of Special Services
- 6. Supervisor of Group Homes
- 7. Director of Child Development Center

Each of these has responsibilities for direction of certain phases of services and supervision of staff personnel in their area of service. The duties of several of these are almost self-explanatory, but others are more complicated. Again, let's observe that this is a service agency and that job descriptions are such to provide a maxi-

staff and children, staff and adults and with families.

KITCHEN

PERSONNET.

NURSE

The Director of Campus Life is Mr. Earle Frazier, ACSW, who has administrative responsibility for services on the campus. You will note from the chart the various activities that are under his direction. The major one of these is supervision and training of houseparents. Along with this is the same responsibility for auxiliary staff. In this issue of the Messenger, please read the article by Mr. Frazier on houseparents. This is first of a series of three, the next two following in succeeding issues.

Responsible for casework and planning is the Director of Social Services, Mr. Rufus Fisher, ACSW. He has administrative responsibility for all social services. Under his direction are caseworkers who cover the entire Synod in the interest of children and families who call on us for help.

Let us point out right here that the above two staff persons, Director of Campus Life and Director of Social Services, along with the Executive Director form the Case Committee. It's this Committee which make final decisions relative to intake, care, planning and discharge of children and families.

The two Group Homes, off campus, are a vital part of the program. The Supervisor of these two homes, plus others in the planning stage, is Mr. Meredith White, ACSW. They are part of our off campus program and along with them is another important service of consultation to local churches who desire to participate more directly in a program in their own community.

The Director of Special Services is Miss Rebekah Carpenter, who really needs no introduction to Barium Messenger readers. She acts as hostess of the campus and provides a warm relationship between the Home and Presbyterian Church members. Among her services is maintaining a continuing relationship to those who have become alumni. She also works with local churches around special projects in the interest of the program, among these are provisions for Christmas and other gifts to the Home and children.

HOUSEPARENTS

MOTOR SERVICE

All of us realize the importance of a Business Manager and Treasurer. This part of the work is under the direction of Mr. Shepherd Speight. Other duties are to employ and supervise the office staff, do purchasing and help the Executive in the area of finance and public relations.

At Barium we try to produce most of our food and operate a farm on a profitable basis. In charge of the truck farm along with the beef cattle herd and hog production is Mr. Frank Nance. Mr. Robert Hartness looks after our 40 acre apple and peach orchard.

Our newest venture is the establishing of a demonstration Child Development Center, incorporating a Day Care Center, Nursery School and Kindergarten. In a later issue we will provide information in depth on this new program.

While we have named personally a few key staff persons, every individual staff person is really a key person. All of them contribute vital service. We regard all that we do as a means of providing therapeutic environment for children and families. In this we are

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# Alumni News

Jeanne Spencer, daughter of David and Lugene (White) Spencer, was married to Ronald Wayne Kellogg on Saturday, the first of March in The Chapel of First Presbyterian Church of Chattanooga, Tennessee. In a write up in the Chattanooga paper recently a picture of Dave Spencer appeared. Dave has coached wrestling for sixteen seasons and the Blue Tornados have won 144, lost only 21 and tied 1 in Varsity Dual Meet competition. At the present his team is participating in Mid-South Association Tournament. They have won four team titles in a

Dick and Mary Ann McKenzie of Radford, Virginia announce the birth of a daughter, Susan Elizabeth, on February 17. Dick received an outstanding award recently for his capacity in the teaching of economics. His materials have been submitted for consideration to the New York University Center for Economic Education. Teachers throughout the nation will be able to borrow them through the inter-library loan system.

Corporal George Edwards received two purple hearts from injuries received from hostile action in Viet

Corporal Larry Edwards, who is stationed at San Diego, goes to Viet Nam this month as a radio technician.

Mike Young, son of Jack and Ernestine (Garrett) Young, was selected as the most likely to succeed in his senior class in Springfield, Virginia.

Dwight Spencer, an engineer at the nation's Spaceport at Satellite Beach, Florida, had a key role in the launch of Apollo 9. He is Chief of the Operations and Support Office of the Apollo Program Manager and is responsible for reviewing and evaluating space vehicle test and checkout plans for compliance with program requirements during test and checkout of Apollo-Saturn V space vehicles.

Karen Keeton spent the day at Barium recently. She is living with her grandmother in Winston-Salem going to school.

Michael Drum visited the campus recently. He is a junior in the Mount Holly High School.

We sympathize with the Reverend John A. Carriker in the loss of his wife in Charlotte on February 23; and, our sympathy goes to Martha Nell Hall Steadman in the loss of her son, Billy Ray, who was twelve years old and died December 28th as a result of being hit by a

Ernest White from Belmont was a recent visitor to the campus.

Lugene White Spencer from Chattanooga spent a few days at Barium.

Jeffrey White, son of Joe and Evelyn White of Winston-Salem, was injuried in Viet Nam recently. He is at Camp Lejeune now.

#### THE PARADOX OF PRIDE

By Reverend Earle P. Barron, Jr.

Most pride indicates a lack of self-esteem. That is, the man who appears proud really feels inferior. If he felt secure there would be no need for him to give the impression of vanity or conceit. This may be contrary to our usual way of thinking of pride because we are irritated by the proud person.

A high school teenager was accused of being stuck-up because he didn't speak to people. He wasn't very congenial. One girl jumped him for his pride. He was flabbergasted by the accusation. The reason he asn't more outgoing was that he felt so unsure of himself in social relationships that he was afraid to speak up. Likewise, we may be surprised to find that we are considered proud by others. It never occurs to us that we give this impression.

On the other hand we may feel good about ourselves in some particular way. We have something good or do something well, and we are proud of it. It is important to us because without it we feel like nothing. This particular pride then becomes our defense against feelings of inferiority. We may lean so heavily on this defense that it appears as conceit or vanity to others.

A woman tried to impress some of her friends one afternoon at a party. "My family is very old. It goes back to the King John of England." Then, turning to the woman beside her, she asked, "How old is your name, my dear?" "Well," said the woman with a grin, "I really don't know. All of our records were lost in the flood."

When John the Baptist was preaching, the Pharisees and Sadducees came out to see what was going on. They were threatened by his remarks and leaned heavily on their family ancestory for their security. They were somebody because they had Abraham for a father. John said, however, "Do not presume to say to yourselves 'We have Abraham as our father'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.

James and John, and their mother, appeared arrogant and proud to the other disciples when they requested position in the Kingdom. They resented their presumption. All were threatened in the area of self-esteem. Their pride was the need to be somebody and the reluctance to let someone else get a little better position. Jesus told them that whoever wanted to be first among them must be last, for "the Son of man came not to be served but to serve and give his life as a ransom for man."

At a devotional retreat the leader seemed very much at ease and did

a very good job of talking about the Christian faith, its problems and its victories. Among the participants was one formerly invited to preside. He said he felt jealous of the leader because he didn't feel that he could speak as well. His pride was showing, and his pride was an indication that the other leader was threatening his self-esteem. However, his confession was unusual in that it was honest and healthy in that he was able to look at himself and his feelings openly.

Perhaps there is nothing so dangerous spiritually as the pride associated with religion. We remember the story of the two men who went up to pray. One, the Pharisee, thanked God that he was not like other sinful men, particularly the nearby tax collector. He then proceeded to tell God what a good man he was and all that he did. On the other hand the tax collector would not even look up, but prayed, "God be merciful to me a sinner.'

How many of us have consoled ourselves when feeling guilty by being proud of what we are in comparison with other people. At least we

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aren't as bad as they are, and this little bit of pride bolsters our ego.

The answer to pride is humility, which is to say that we need to reach the place where we don't have to be haughty, pretentious, or overassuming. But since we have said that pride is an indication of low self-esteem, primarily it means that we need to discover the paradox involved in pride and humility. Humility is the ability to be and accept what we are without feeling the need to compete and compare ourselves with

This is what is intimated in each of the cases above. The religious rulers didn't need to feel that they were any better than the common people. James and John didn't need the right and left hand seats to feel secure in the kingdom. The proud Pharisee didn't have to pretend to be o morally good.

The reason there was no need is that before God no man is any better or worse than the other. All are equally sinners and fall short, yet all are equally important and therefore of great value. An Episcopal bishop was impressed with this one Sunday when his eyes turned to a long row of people at the communion rail. For some reason he began looking at the soles of their shoes. The feet belonged to the "important" and the "unimportant" in the community. Some soles had holes, some were worn, and some were new. When viewed from his position the people were amazingly secret and different yet all very much alike. Different as individual, but all bowed before God. He had caught a vision of the Communion service as a leveler of men but as a preserver of their differences.

Once realizing this we are encouraged to be "poor in spirit." We are encouraged not to assert the ego as a defense, but to realize self-esteem may be built by deliberately seeking humility.

Norman Elliott has stuttered ever since he was a child. However, he is now a public speaker much in demand. He says that he discovered that when he gets himself into the picture and tries to make a good impression that he has a difficult time speaking. Only when he loses himself in something else, only when he offers his body as a living sacrifice unto God for Him to do with as He wills, does he have ease and freedom in his speech. He has found the secret of humility in not pushing and

pressuring self, in giving up his defense of pride.

Pride is an indication of low self-esteem. We become humble as we see ourselves before God in Christ, leveled but unique. Humility and self-esteem grow as we learn to lay aside our pride as a defense against being

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What kind of person is a houseparent? What does houseparenting consists of? What does houseparenting mean to houseparents.

This is the first in a series of three articles which will attempt to answer these difficult questions in the hope that you will gain a clearer understanding of these people and, thereby, a greater appreciation for the work they do. Our first question-What kind of person is a houseparent?

Several prevalent mis-conceptions go back to the days of the "orphanage" when these people were called "matrons", a term which roughly meant glorified maids—and one might reasonably ask, "how glori-These were often people to whom someone in the Church felt obligated because they had lived upright lives, lost their husbands and families, and needed help. Often they were unable to obtain other employment in the man's world of that day. One has only to talk with people who grew up in groups of thirty or forty in these 'orphanages" under the supervision "matrons" to realize that these this tremendous task was performed. in most cases, extremely well under the most trying of circumstances.

But as people are always prone to say, things have changed. The orphanage is no more. In its place we have the children's home. Children in care today are seldom orphans-grateful for a home-but "orphans of the living" who often wonder why they are here when they have a home. Cottage groups at Barium now number no more than twelve. We are all aware of the employment opportunities open to women which give them a much broader choice in the work they do. And, with these changes the matron exits and the houseparent enters—still a maid of sorts but much more—oftentimes still a widow but not necessarily so as houseparent couples become more and more common.

But what about the characteristics of the modern-day houseparent? Many people have attempted to describe the ideal houseparent by such adjectives as kind, gentle, loving. warm, patient, understanding, forgiving, etc., and surely the ideal houseparent embodies all of these traits. However, we should readily admit that houseparents have weaknesses. They get angry. They become discouraged and frustrated. They raise their voices (sometimes the roof). They cry. In short, houserarents are human, each with a unique set of strengths and weaknesses.

Since all are human, each is different. One houseparent may be very strict-another quite lenient. One may be outgoing while others are somewhat reserved. Some houseparents are cultured and quite proper-some not so cultured. The point is that each is an individual and at Barium we are glad to recognize and work with this truth.

We do not want to give the impression that "just any old body' can be a houseparent. There is one thing which we feel is mandatory. This is the ability to make relationships with children and to use these relationships for the good of the child. Readers may be surprised that the one absolute requirement is not a certain level of education. We surely would not belittle education. Indeed, no houseparent ever has enough. Nevertheless. we think that primary emphasis must be given to a person's ability to care and to express this caring through a relationship. Our experience indicates that this capacity for caring through a relationship may be found in the welleducated and the not-so-well-educated.

By caring we do not mean a pious sort of "do-goodism." Houseparents express caring through an act of concern in the face of resentment, a word of understanding despite bitter criticism, or by refusing to preach when a child seems bent on his own destruction. The houseparent who is more than a maid is willing to enter into a twoway relationship with another imperfect human being in the hope that the child can use this experience, somehow, to grow. The effective houseparent is honest and constantly searches her own motives, feelings, and actions in an effort to better understand her own strengths and weaknesses.

Barium is fortunate to have houseparents with a great capacity for this kind of caring but more fortunate still that these people are still trying to grow. Dr. A. T. Jamieson, longtime superintendent of Connie Maxwell Children's Home wrote, "There abideth in the child-caring institution the superintendent, the teacher (at Barium we would substitute caseworker) and the housemother, but the greatest of these is the housemoth-We at Barium would not go so far as to say that houseparents are the greatest. We would say withreservation that a program of child-care cannot rise above the capacity for caring of its houseparents.

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# HELPING METHODS IN THE INSTITUTION

In July of 1968 at the Chapel Hill Workshops (sponsored by The Group Child Care Project of which we are a member) there was presented a paper in which a chart entitled "Helping Methods in the Institution" was a vital part. This paper was presented by Dr. Alan Keith-Lucas, distinguished

Professor of Social Work at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, a Presbyterian Elder, and member of the Board of Regents of Barium Springs Home for Children.

During the past six months, Dr. Keith-Lucas has, at intervals, spent four days on our campus as a con-

sultant. Three of the four days he has met with the administrative staff, helping them to take a depth look at our procedures for helping children and families. The fourth day was spent with the entire staff.

On the morning of this fourth day he presented and discussed the chart which is reproduced here:

Method	Question	Occurrence	Primary Responsibility
CARE	How are my needs met?	All children continuously	Child care worker
PLANNING	What is happening to me?	All children regularly	Social worker
THERAPY	How can I choose?	Some children on planned basis	Therapist M.S.W. under psychiatric consultation or supervision
COUNSELING	What do I do about?	Most children from time to time	Child care worker Chaplain Social Worker Contemporaries Others
GROUP ACTIVITY	How do I relate to others?	All children in living and recreational groups. Some children in planned sessions.	Informal— Children, child care worker Formal— Recreation workers, group workers

In the afternoon staff was divided into five groups on a cross-sectional basis, re: individuals representing various staff classifications were in each group. Each of these groups were given a "problem" to solve related to planning and caring for children. They were given thirty minutes to reach a conclusion and then to reassemble as a group for presentation and discussion of each problem.

The problems given the groups are reproduced here. We shall not give you the solutions formulated but will leave you to solve each with the hope that in doing so it may better help you as one interested in Barium Springs to understand some of the program.

#### PROBLEM 1-

A 13 year old boy reports to work. Normally he is a very pleasant boy. It is quite evident that he is upset. He is unable to say what is wrong but proceeds to perform several destructive acts, seemingly ignoring all words of restraint. What do you as work supervisor do? What other staff becomes involved? What do they do?

#### PROBLEM 2-

Donald is a 10 year old boy who has been accepted into care following several changes of placement due to his temper tantrums. His most recent blow-up resulted in a teacher quitting and Donald being expelled from school. The psychological report says that Donald needs firm controls and that physical punishment is the only way to

get through to him. Who prepares the houseparent for Donald's arrival? How is this done? How does the houseparent prepare the group? What are some of the things which would go into planning for this child?

#### PROBLEM 3—

Joan has reported to the infirmary seven times in the past two weeks. The houseparent can detect nothing wrong. After two trips to the doctor the nurse concludes that there is no organic problem. To whom does the nurse go for help? What kind of help does Joan need? Who does it?

Johnny says to his work supervisor that he has had a run-in with the houseparent, that he hates her and is going to run away. The following day he does not return from school on the bus. Who does what? What should have been done yesterday?

#### PROBLEM 5-

Janie has been on campus 4 weeks. At first she seemed to be adjusting well. She made friends and expressed pleasure at being here. In the past week the houseparent has observed that she is quieter. Last night the relief houseparent was on duty and found Janie crying in bed. She cannot say what she is unhappy about but clings to relief houseparent. How concerned should we be about this situation? What should the houseparent have done? What should the relief houseparent do?

#### **Duke Endowment Gift**

Each year Duke Endowment makes a gift to child caring agencies in the two Carolinas. It is a most welcome gift to our current operating expenses and this year amounted to \$9,895.09.

Duke Endowment also provides assistance in the fields of education and medicine in addition to child care. The fund was set up under the will of the late James B. Duke of North Carolina.

In addition to the direct financial assistance which is provided under the terms of the will, the officials of the Endowment provide a great deal of help in the form of advice and counsel as well as research and statistics in the various fields covered. In the child care field, Mr. Robert Mayer, II, is the Director of Child Care Services and is well known to all of the agencies. He has visited Barium Springs on a number of occasions. He is a true friend of children.

friend of children.

The amount of financial assistance made available to the various agencies is distributed on the basis of the number of days of care rendered in the various catagories of services. We continue to be deeply indebted to the Duke Endowment for their continuing support and for their warm interest in children.

## MY LIFE AT BARIUM



BONNIE BROWN

When I was asked to write this article I was astounded. How can a person write about his home, with its ups and downs. How can you show a person in one article your whole life, because that's what Barium is to me. On October 15, 1959, my twin brother Donnie and I arrived at Barium for a long stay. Two years later my little brother David arrived. Although both have returned home to live with our Daddy and stepmother I chose to stay at Barium with my friends and graduate.

Life hasn't always been easy at Barium. You have to adjust and begin to settle down before you can enjoy it. And if you have Miss Jackson as a housemother this helps too. She's the only person I know that can make me mad as fire one minute and laughing at myelf the next.

While living at Barium I have engaged in many activities at church and at school. At church I have sung in the choir for five years, I have been on the Senior High Council representing my class for the past two years. At school I am a majorette cadet, vice-president of the Art Club, I am a member of the Glee Club, and I am Historian of the FBLA Club.

After school I plan to start a home of my own and work part time. In preparation for this I took a Keypunch Course at Statesville Business College which I completed on March 20, of this year.

In closing I know there are many people I need to mention, but I feel that these people who have helped me so much know how grateful I am and know that even though their names are not mentioned in this article I do appreciate their help and understanding through trying times.



DEBBIE KENNEDY

Graduation time is drawing near, and I have to admit I am approaching it with mixed emotions. Graduation means I shall leave Barium and live in a completely different environment, one I am whole-heartedly looking forward to. But still I can't dismiss my feelings that I have for Barium and the people in it. Barium has been my home for nine years, and even though at times I would have loved to have been at home, I have to admit Barium was a good substitute. I have made many friends here that I shall treasure all my life.

As for school, it has really been a light in my life when things were getting me down at Barium. I always seemed to be able to forget it all at school. School was sort of an outlet, and I have made some of the most wonderful friends

there. These friends have done so much for me by just accepting me as myself.

I really do hate to leave everyone who has come to mean so much to me here at school, but as I said before I am still looking forward to my new life. I also realize that it won't be easy and I'll still have my problems, but I think Barium has prepared me to face these problems with some maturity and responsibility. I know it won't be all roses, but I think I am ready to face this big old world with all the stamina and strength in me.

There have been many people at Barium who contributed to my well-being. These people deserve gratitude and recognition for the many hours of patience and understanding they so unselfishly have given me. Still there is one person who stands out above all the rest, and that is Mr. Earle Frazier, Director of Campus Life. I want to give a sincere expression of gratitude to him for giving me the strength I needed during the most trying times at Barium. Also, I want to thank him for sharing my joys with me, too. Sometimes you need someone to share your hopes and joys, not just your problems; he always had time for both.

After graduation I plan to live with my grandparents in Charlotte and find a summer job. Then in the fall I plan to attend Wingate College and prepare myself for the future. I hope I can be one of the successful graduates who have lived

at Barium.

#### GOD'S ODD ADDITION

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

Two women who had not seen each other in a number of years got together and after discussing everything else began to talk about their husband's faults. "We've been married twenty years," said one, "and every evening after dinner John gripes about the meal." "How awful," replied the other. "Doesn't this upset you?" "Why no," said the first, "why should I get in an uproar if he can't stand his own cooking?'

We joke about marriage not because it is unimportant but because it requires a sense of humor to withstand the pain of its trials and tribula-tions. Marriage is serious business and any look at the modern scene

reveals that the institution is seriously threatened.

Apparently, we Americans are the most marrying nation in the Western world since about ninety-three percent of us are willing to make the trip at least once. Youth seem hardly able to wait until they are old enough to vote or finish school before they take their vows. Anticipating everlasting bliss they blithely ignore any advice or warning of the peril involved.

And then the trouble comes! It may reach a crisis at any time but it seems there are three periods at which marriage is most susceptible to destruction. The first stage is the first or second year. Hard, cold, reality replaces romantic illusion. It is extremely difficult for two separate universes to occupy the same space when expectations and dreams do not

Immaturity may show in the inability or unwillingness of one to understand the problems of the other. Both may reject necessary personal responsibility. Sex loses its glamour, the powerful force which may have been the only real tie, and without its cement there is nothing left to hold them together.

Another dangerous period is sometime after the seventh year. The children have arrived, the husband finds his work demanding, or the fact of both husband and wife working may throw the two in different directions. The complications of trying to live harmoniously amidst all the demands of our complicated society aggravate personal problems. And then boom! The marriage balloon bursts.

Although we may not suspect it until it happens, a third perilous period in marriage occurs when all the children have left the house for homes of their own. Without children to give meaning to the marriage the two partners find they cannot communicate. They are surprised that they have nothing in common. He goes his way; she goes hers.

Trouble in marriage certainly is nothing new. It is as old as the human race. In Jesus' time, while ideals about it were quite lofty, the facts of relationships did not live up to the theories. Unlike today, however, the man was not the butt of any joke. The woman got the worst end of the alliance for a husband could divorce his wife on almost any grounds.

If she burned the bread, spoke to a strange man, talked about her mother-in-law. or spoke loudly enough to be heard next door her husband could declare her unclean and therefore put her away.

The Pharisees, probably trying to trap Jesus in legalistic maneuvers, asked him if it were lawful for a man to divorce his wife. Jesus noted that Moses had permitted divorce because of their weaknesses but that God really intended otherwise. He said that from the beginning God had created male and female, and that he joined them together as a new unit out of the old family ties, "so that they are no longer two but one flesh." This is "God's Odd Addition." Mathematically, one plus one should equal two.

We tend to spiritualize "two becoming one" without realizing that in Christ this strange arithmetic may be achieved. In Christ there is a common center in which two must of necessity move closer together as they get closer to him. In this sense Christ is an integrating point or center and suggests the importance of Christians marrying within the

In order for this oneness to exist at the point of integration, however, some "subtraction" by both persons must take place. The married couple must practice yielding to one another. Keith Miller described the problems that arose in his marriage after he had a shaking experience with Christ. He wanted his wife to share it with him, but she did not understand what was going on and reacted negatively to his overtures. He said that he tried being more loving, and while this made him feel better, it didn't help matters.

He had previously refused to help with the house work because, as he reasoned, his father had never done anything around the house, and it was not the man's place. On the other hand his wife had said that she didn't expect him to do any housework, but, as she remembered, her father had emptied the wastebasker, and she would appreciate his

help there. Keith Miller, however, wouldn't oblige her.

Finally, looking around for some way to convince his wife that he had really changed, his eye fell on the wastebasket. "Not that," he thought to himself, "anything but that." But then he began to realize that this was just a symbol of his pride. With great effort he yielded. Much to his surprise, it was this one little act that seemed to reach his wife. He had yielded and so she yielded, and they both found themselves and their marriage more and more integrated around the common center, Christ.

This is the security and stability of a Christian marriage. One point Chirst, two persons willing to yield becoming more and more as one.

# SUMMER PROGRAM

Now that Easter is over and spring weather is on us, we are reminded that summer will not be far behind. Only seven more weeks until school is out and activities related to camps and summer will be here. Already the children and young people have voluntarily signed up for the Presbytery summer camps and conferences.

Really the summer months provide an opportunity for a wide variety of activities. We employ extra staff and structure all types of experiences for their benefit.

As usual some fifty or more will want to go to one of several Presbytery camps. Last year they went to Camp Grier in Concord Presbytery and to similiar programs in both Winston-Salem and Mecklenburg.

We would remind you that all this extra activity does cost money. Our budget is not prepared to meet it. Each year there are those individuals and groups who see this as a good opportunity to make a cash contribution to helping young people. In this issue of the Messenger you will find a blank giving you this opportunity.

If you need some guidance as to the amount to give, let us tell you that it cost approximately twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to send a child for a week to one of the church camps. We must put about \$2000.00 into extra summer staff salaries. This means we need between \$3000.00 and \$4000.00 to provide the program as arranged.

All monies received are credited to this special purpose and you may be sure the children will re-ceive full benefit from your gift. Some of you will want to be generous and send a gift of \$100.00 ot more. But, gifts of any size are most welcome. It is a good opportunity for a Sunday School Class, a women's circle, or a young people's group to have a significant part in a child's life. Remember, some child may not get that which he needs if you fail to share.

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#### Alumni News

Born to Linda (Ivey) and James Riddle of Hope Mills, a daughter, Kimberly Ann, on February 21.

Charles Barrett attended the American Association of Junior Colleges Conference in Atlanta recently. His daughter, Jean, took part in the Raleigh's Children Theater Production, "The Prince and the Swineherd."

Herbert Good, who is Dean of Special Studies at Gulf Coast Junior College in Panama City, Florida, attended the same Conference.

Walter Snead and his wife of Atlanta made a short visit to Barium. Walter is with one of the Radio-TV stations there.

Eddie Webb was a visitor on campus recently. He is a senior at Raeford High School and has been accepted at East Carolina College.

Jim White and his family from Ahoskie spent the week-end of March 29th with Jim's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ike White.

Gail Nance spent the spring holidays with her parents.

Barbara (Webb) and Ronald Huffman and two boys were recent visitors on the campus.

Gene Williamson, student at Pembroke College, spent the spring vacation at Barium.

Sharon Gilmore spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Gilmore.

Brother and Sister, Ann and Larry Ellis, display trophies received for excellence in basketball. Ann was named "Most Valuable Player" of the Troutman Junior High Girls Team and Larry was "Most Valuable Player" on South Iredell High School's Freshman 5.

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and used to send children to Presbyt	tery Camps or to help with
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# Child of Mercy

IN A FAMOUS case in which he appeared, the eloquent Sargeant S. Prentiss closed his plea to the jury with this

I have somewhere read that when God in his eternal councils conceived the thought of man's creation, he called to him the three ministers who wait constantly upon the throne: Justice, Truth and Mercy, and thus addressed them: "Shall we make man?"

Then said Justice: "O God, make him not, for he will trample upon Thy laws."

Truth made answer also: "O God, make him not, for he will pollute the sanctuaries."

Then Mercy, dropping upon her knees and looking up through her tears, explained: "O God, make him; I will watch over him through all the dark paths he may have to tread."

Then God made man and said to him: "Thou art the child of Mercy; go in mercy and deal with thy brother -From Treasury of the Christian Faith Clipped

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Director of Campus Life

# What Does Houseparenting Consist Of?

Perhaps no job is more difficult to describe than that of the houseparent. The multitude of small decisions, the many conflicts in schedules, the numerous needs to be met makes the day of the houseparent about 16 hours long. In an effort to give readers at least a glimpse of houseparenting, several scenes are described below.

### Scene 1-Time: between 6:00 and 6:30 A. M.

Mrs. Gray has called her ten girls and is in the kitchen beginning breakfast. Janie comes in to say that Sue will not get up so that room cleaning can begin. Janie is asked to watch the bacon while Mrs. Gray checks on Sue. On the way to Sue's room Mrs. Gray notices that Gail is back in bed and calls her, that Dee has out her best clothes to wear to school and corrects her which makes Dee angry, and that smoke is pouring out of Margie's room but there is not time to deal with Margie's smoking just now. Mrs. Gray awakens Sue with a small shake and the beginnings of a lecture when Janie yells that she can't watch the bacon all day because she has to clean her room and get ready for school. The cottage is alive now. Everyone is up—one wanting to know who stole her hair spray and what Mrs. Gray is going to do about it, another asking what happened to her pink blouse, another, if Mrs. Gray will mail two letters for her, This daily confusion results, oddly enough, in the cottage being passably cleaned most days, breakfast being generally pleasant, the girls leaving for school well-dressed and in fairly good spirits, and Mrs. Gray needing a second cup of coffee and a few minutes rest after only an hour and a half of the day

# Scene 2-Time: 9:00 A. M., Monday

is gone.

It is time for the weekly meeting of houseparents and Director of Campus Life. Mrs. Greene is late. She forgot her grocery tickets. She arrives out of breath and the meeting begins.

High schoolers who have per-

mission from their houseparents will leave for the ball game Friday at 6:45.

The local theater has donated 200 free passes. Houseparents who would like to take their group to the movie should make arrangements for a station wag-

on as early as possible. There is a discussion about a problem with drink bottles being thrown on campus.

Houseparents are asked to observe carefully the behavior of their children in the dining hall and at church.

A group from a nearby church will be visiting on Sunday.

The caseworker would like to see Mrs. Green before she leaves the office about Tom's recent visit by his mother.

There will be a staff conference this afternoon at 2:00 o'clock to discuss progress of the Mewborn children. This is in preparation for a conference with the family on Friday. Miss Rennick and Mrs. Green need to attend the staffing. Mrs. Green says that she needs to see the Director of Campus Life after the meeting about some trouble over the

weekend with Barry. The meeting ends at 9:48 A.M. Each houseparent goes her way -to a conference with the caseworker, to a conference with the Director of Campus Life, to her cottage laundry and cleaning, or to another cottage for a cup of coffee with a neighbor before cooking a cake for another birthday.

### Scene 3-Time: 3:15 P. M.

The quiet of the campus is suddenly evicted as 110 boys and girls erupt from three public school buses. Twelve small boys run, stumble, and fall toward their cottage-papers and shirt-tails flying dogs barking. Mrs. Brown turns off the soap opera and starts toward the door. In crashes Jimmy telling how one of the older boys hit him when, "I didn't do nothing." He is drowned out by Toby calling attention to his first 100 on an arithmetic test. Jack interrupts for his usual hug and sloppy kiss. Mrs. Brown notices that Bob and Ted enter too quietly and go toward their rooms. Snacks are ready for all. Some have chores; study hall awaits others. All have things to say which need to be heard. Mrs. Brown feels that there just isn't enough of her to go around at this important time. But, it seems that Bob and Ted need her most just now so she side-steps her way out of the noisy group. Mrs. Brown does not want an audience as she tries to comfort and advise the two troubled boys.

# Scene 4-Time: 7:30 P. M., Friday evening

Mrs. Black has just finished playing traffic cop. Nell and Joanne left for the ball game. A school friend came for Sue to spend the weekend. Lois, Rosa, Margaret, Tina and Linda checked out for The Hub. Mrs. Black arranged for the other girls to go to the movie with another cottage group. Only Janice remains—an unusual oc-curance and Mrs. Black wonders about her staying but thinks it best not to press her just now. During the next hour Janice passes the door several times going nowhere and Mrs. Black begins to feel a

serious talk coming on. She recalls that Janice has been too quiet and withdrawn for a couple of weeks. Mr. Black comes in early from work and this pleases Mrs. Black. Maybe he can help with Janice since he has such a good relationship with her. Sure enough, Janice appears at the door and asks if she may talk. For an hour the Blacks listen and question, trying to un-derstand and help. They suggest that Janice talk with her caseworker about her problems around her last visit home. Mrs. Black will make her an appointment Monday. The girls are returning-will talk some more later.

# Scene 5-Time: 11:30 P. M.

Mrs. White returns to her room after putting three girls to bed for the fourth time. She is exasperated. Everytime she has a day off it seems to take two days to get everything back to the normal routine. Then an envelope comes sliding under her door and the patter of running footsteps fades away. The envelope is addressed-'To a wonderful housemother

Whom we all love very much"

She opens and reads:

Hi Mum!

Glad you're back! Missed ya! We tried to get everything cleaned up for you to show you that we really do care and also that we really do *love* you. You know even though we do act as though we don't sometime, we really do. As you know we all have our ups and downs. (And our nasty ole ways about things. Ha! Ha!)

Don't mean to get off the subject but I have something I would like to tell you. Even though I don't think you like me very much, I love you with all my heart and always will You know, it is pretty hard for a housemother to take the place of a child's mother but you do for me. (Honest)

I'm not going to sign my name. I'll just keep you mysti-fied. (Ha! Ha!) if you don't know who wrote this.

P. S. I mean everything that I said.

Mrs. White reads the note several times recalling fusses, fights, etc., but decides to take the letter at face value, knowing full well that more disagreements will follow. She puts the note in a drawer with other such "strength givers" and turns out the light. The days of the houseparent come close together.

# Bill Wade Visits Barium Campus



Bill Wade talks football with Robert Wicker and Dean Melvin.

Teen-agers were treated to an inspiring evening March 27th when former star quarterback of the National Football League, Bill Wade, visited campus and held an informal session with them in The

Mr. Wade is a leader in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, an organization devoted to bringing the Good News of Jesus Christ to persons throughout the world. The fellowship numbers many internationally acclaimed athletes in its membership.

Punctuating his remarks with anecdotes of his fourteen year career in the NFL which included service with the Los Angeles Rams and the 1963 world champion Chicago Bears, Mr. Wade made a deep impression upon his audience as a man of sincere Christian dedication.

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MR. ALONZA M. ALEXANDER

For more than three-quarters of a century the Presbyterian Church, U. S., through its ministry of child care at Barium Springs Home for Children, has provided good substitute care to thousands of boys and girls away from their own homes. There is an important and increasing need to offer services to children and families within their own homes. In recent years, through family counseling, mother's aid, and a truly family-oriented program, we have met many other types of family problems.

It is, therefore, with a great deal of enthusiasm that the Board of Regents announces another strong effort to help children and families. A Child Development Center on a demonstration basis will be opened at Barium Springs beginning September 1st, this year. It is known that wholesome experiences of spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional, and social development can be provided through day care programs, kindergartens and nursery schools. The model child development center at Barium will use all of these resources to help the child. This service will be enrolling the whole family in the belief that if we can involve the entire family much may be done in the way of undergirding and strengthening family life. All of the children in the demonstration center will be coming from the Statesville-Troutman area. Approximately threefourths of them will be children of lower socio-economic level and will be in this service either because they are unable to pay or they qualify for some purchase of care through funds that can be governmentally provided. The remainder of the children coming from the same area will be able to pay the full cost of care.

# **Duke Endowment**

In order to make such a demonstration project available in North Carolina, the Board of Trustees of Duke Endowment has examined carefully our proposal and has made a grant of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) for the first year of operation. In addition to this, they will also provide support for the second and third year on a decreasing basis. This Foundation provides large sums of money to both child care agencies and hospitals in the two Carolinas to assist with their programs. We, at Barium Springs, are deeply grateful for all that this Foundation has done for child care and Barium Springs in the past, but especially now are we real proud to be a part of a demonstration project in which they are interested to the extent of this large amount of financial support.

# The Director

To direct this new ministry to children and families Mr. Alonza M. Alexander of Ludlow, Kentucky has been employed. He will assume the position of Director on June 1. Mr. Alexander is an ordained Presbyterian minister who has served pastorates in Kentucky, Indiana, and Ohio. He was educated at Centre College at Danville, Kentucky and Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. In addition, he has taken courses in social work at the Kent School of Social Work in Louisville, Kentucky.

Mr. Alexander has been extremely active in working with children and youth in his pastorates as well as within the communities he has served. He has experience with pre-school education and day care centers both in his own church and in the community. He has a vital interest in working with organized groups of children and oung people and has involved himself on many occasions in summer camp programs, day care and nurseries, recreational activities, and other interests which lead a person to help children and families.

We feel real fortunate in secur-

ing a person of Mr. Alexander's caliber to join our already established and fine staff at Barium Springs. We look forward to his coming and to his leadership. He is married has two sons and a daughter, and has already purchased a home in the Statesville community.

# The Local Church

In the above we have emphasized the fact that this is a demonstration project. We would see it as a pilot program for the local Presbyterian Church and the community it serves. After the program is actually in operation, the plan is to be able to offer consultation services to the local church. Actually, we could come to their community and help them to establish such a program. In every one of our communities we literally have hundreds of children needing these services. At the same time we have church educational buildings which

# BOARD OF REGENTS MEETS

The semi-annual meeting of the Board of Regents was held at Barium Springs on April 16-17. As usual there was full attendance of the Board and very excellent participa-

The various Committees heard reports on the first day from in-dividual staff members and gave consideration to recommendations being made.

Several very important recommendations were before the full Board and favorable action was taken on the following:

(1) The Barium Messenger is to be reduced in overall size and a new format approved to update its apperance. The first issue with

are not being used except for a few hours a week and would lend themselves to such a program.

### Other Staffing

In addition to the Director, the staff would consist of people trained in education: such as, a nursery school teacher, kindergarten teacher, and, of course, child care staff along with health and food services. There would also be a staff person whom we would call the Family Worker. This person would correlate the work at the Center with the family itself. This worker would take advantage of the concept of a family visitor or liaison teacher in which our efforts would be to help the entire family.

# Church Concern and Support

We see this as another opportunity for the church, through its organized ministry of services to children and families, to demonstrate the real concern it has for families in need. The Church does care, but so often we fail to show or to prove it. Here is an effort which involves action and which will hopefully lead to a similar service in many local churches.

It will require not only verbal support for an already good program but also increased financial support and a willingness to provide help where it is needed.

# HOMECOMING August 10th **Barium Springs**

Cordial Welcome To All Alumni

Bring Your Family - Picnic Lunch

Plans Are For A Wonderful Day

the new look will appear in September.

- (2) A budget in the amount of \$473,330 was approved for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1969 and ending September 30,
- (3) The establishment of two Family Care Homes, with others projected when needs demand and finances will permit, were approved. These homes are small units in the community to give care to preschool children or others who do not need or cannot tolerate group care on a large campus.
- (4) Another most important action saw the Board approve in principle the setting up of a Board of Visitors of twenty-five or more. A

committee of the Board was ap pointed to work out the details and report to the next meeting in November. The Board regretfully accepted the resignation of Mr. J. A. Barrus of Charlotte. His replacement will be named by Synod at its annual meeting in June. Also, terms of three Board members expire at this meeting of Synod. These are Mrs. E. L. Roberson, Mrs. Willard C. Goley, and Mr. Hugh Arrowood. Appreciation was expressed for the fine years of service given by these members. Their replacements will also be named by Synod.

The new President, Mr. George W. Williams, Jr., assumed his position at the end of the meeting and expressed thanks to Mr. William C. Thacker for his good administration during the past two

### FUND CAMP

Already we have registered a group of children for summer camp. About half will go in the month of June and the remainder in July. In addition to the church camps other recreation and wholesome camp experiences are being planned for the summer.

Some individuals and church groups have begun to send in gifts to make all this possible. We simply want to say again that your contributions to this fund are especially appreciated since this is not a budgeted item and thus is only made possible for the children by your special interest.

You may be sure that a child will benefit. Gifts of any amount are acceptable and most appreciated.

# CAMP FUND

The enclosed	is to be placed in the Camp Fund
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# MY LIFE AT BARIUM



I came to Barium in the summer of 1967. I was very depressed and lost in my new environment.

My first few years were hard and depressing. I had a bitter outlook on life and the people who tried to help me. In the summer of 1967 I was moved to a new cottage and a new houseparent. Mrs. Robinson helped me tremendously. She helped me form a new opinion of Barium. I no longer looked at Barium with hatred, but with respect; respect for the great pains the staff of Barium was taking to make life easier and better for us.

I will always remember the good times I had at Barium and all the friends I made. I would like to thank the people who helped make my life richer and fuller. I will always be grateful to them.

After graduation I plan to work for a power line company in Charlotte. In the fall I hope to go to Gardner-Webb College and study to be a coach.

# "FOR REAL"

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

We take for granted the world we see about us and its reality as we know it. However, seeing is considerably more complicated than we realize, and what we see may not be so real as we have been conditioned to think. The eye is only a lens which receives pictures that then must be referred to the brain. There they are fitted into patterns and somehow or another receive meaning. This meaning is usually a product of education and what we expect to see and believe.

When the little boy was asked what he had learned at Sunday School, he replied: "If you really want to know, our teacher told us a tale about how God sent Moses into the enemy camp to liberate the Israelites from the Egyptians. When they got off, they soon came to the Red Sea, only to realize that Pharaoh was hot behind them. However Moses was up to the test, and he had his engineers build a pontoon bridge. After the fleeing Israelites had made it safely across, they discovered the Egyptians' tanks were close on the trail. Without a hesitation, however, Moses called headquarters on his walkie-talkie to send planes to bomb the bridge and save his army."

"Johnny," questioned his startled mother, "did your teacher really tell you the Exodus that way?"

Well, not just that way, but if I told it like it was, you'd never believe it.

Johnny expresses the doubt that many seem to have about the reality of life and experience as it is presented in the Bible. Such a view is hard to accept because it doesn't seem to fit into life as we have "seen" it and have experienced it.

A major part of the difficulty is that we have all become logical positivists, whether we know what this philosphy means or not. Basically it suggests that we know very little actually, or that if something is known, this truth is not valid unless it can be measured or weighed.

Addison H. Leitch has said that this is a prevailing philosophy in universities now. In a conversation with a college student he encountered this view. The young student asserted that he had decided not to believe anything unless it could be proved by laboratory experiment. Dr. Leitch retorted that he would then appreciate him proving that he was not a butterfly dreaming he was a college freshman. This ended the conversa-

The New Testament speaks of "having the eyes of your hearts enlightened." Throughout its pages it indicates that there is a world of reality which the average soul does not see, but one in which the Chrislightened." tian who enters into this experience learns to "walk by faith and not by sight.' The center of this experience is Jesus Christ, and it is in the relationship of faith in Him that the whole world takes on a new meaning.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi He asked His disciples who the people said He was and they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets. He then wanted to know who they thought He was. To which Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus' reply to this insight was, "Blessed are you . . . for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father who is in heaven."

An interesting account of one man's experience of reality is revealed in the story of Jesus' healing the man blind from birth. Jesus made clay and annointed the man's eyes, telling him to go to the pool of Siloam and wash. This he did, returning with new sight. Later when asked how he was healed, he said a man called Jesus restored his sight.

When he was brought before the Pharisees who were not too happy about Jesus' healing power he was pressured into saying that some sort of fraud had been perpetrated. He was asked what he thought about Jesus, to which he replied, "He is a prophet."

For his refusal to deny what had happened he was kicked out of the

synagogue. When Jesus heard about this he came to him and asked him if he believed in the Son of God, indicating that He was the Saviour. The man having had not only the eyes of his head opened but also the eyes of his heart replied, "Lord, I believe." In this account one can see a definite progression of opinion-man, prophet, Son of God.

While generally the Bible teaches that the insight into the reality of Christ is a gift, as in the story above, it also suggests that there may be struggle with it, with time elapsing between the beginning of faith and a more complete realization of who Christ is and what the Kingdom

Many are satisfied with reality as they know it but probably more are not. The late Dr. Alva J. Calderwood, a teacher of the classics, whimsically told his students how he had saved his money for years to make a visit to Rome and the "Tawny Tiber" about which he had so often dreamed. But, when he finally was able to afford the trip to his "paradise," he found only a muddy little river. He said he wished he had stayed at home and kept his illusion.

Many of us may have retreated further into illusion when confrontwith the disappointment of discovering that our reality didn't stack up. On the other hand disappointment may push us to test our way of seeing and thinking and in the process the eyes of our hearts may be enlightened and we too may see that the world of Jesus Christ is for real.

# Alumni News

Born to Barbara (Johnson) and Larry Hunt of Asheboro, on March 28, a son, Larry Scott.

Linda (Byrd) Garcia who lives in Austin, Texas, is a secretary in the Selective Service Headquarters. Her husband, Jim, works for the Post Office.

Jerry Brewer has joined the Marines and is at present stationed at Parris Island.

James and Carlene Ramsay visited Barium. Jim is with the Lamb-Young Realtors in Winston-Salem.

Rosa Lee Guin was a recent visitor on the campus. Thelma and Charlie Sears from

Granite Quarry were recent visi-

Diana Holland was married to S/Sgt. Walter Reid Holt in the Post Chapel at Fort Bragg on May 3rd. A reception followed the wedding.

Mary Frances (Stricklin) Salter wrote about her family recently. Her daughter, Kathy, is fifteen and in the tenth grade. She has been a majorette, plays trumpet in band and is on the high school basketball team. Her son, David, is twelve and plays junior high football and basketball. He holds the Cobb County Junior Olympic high jump record in track and made all star basketball team this past year and holds trophies and ribbons in football, basketball and track. He also plays the drums in the band. Billy is also an athlete.

Evelyn (Coppage) Sica wrote an interesting letter recently. She lives in Toms River, New Jersey. She has two sons who are married and a daughter who is an A student in high school. She plays the clarinet and made all-city band. Evelyn's sister, Mary Duffy, is a nurse at Mercy Hospital in Springfield, Massachu-

Invitations have been issued to the wedding of Mr. Daniel Erwin Jackins to Carmen Elaine Mobley, Sunday, May 25, at Forest Park Presbyterian Church and the reception following the ceremony at the Statesville Woman's Club.

We sympathize with Mrs. Lorena (Clark) Piner in the death of her son, Pat, who died May 1 in Wilmington. The funeral was May 3 at Peace Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville. Pat would have graduated June 8 from Wilmington Col-

Lt. and Mrs. Raymond Good were weekend visitors on Campus. Raymond is on temporary duty in Norfolk, Virginia, involving operational evaluation of a new class of amphibious ship-the USS Charleston.

Ernest Stricklin, secretary of the Division of Family Life for the Board of Christian Education, has been named chairman of the ecumenical group of Family Ministries staff members which is exploring ways to cooperatively produce and use family resources and implement familiy ministries. The major thrust will be the 1970 White House Conference on Children and Youth, family education in theological seminaries, and leadership training in human sexuality.

We were interested in the new (Continued on Page 3)

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# Staff Attends Child Welfare League

Each year a Southern Regional Conference of the Child Welfare League of America is held in one of the southern states. This year it was held in Biloxi, Mississippi on April 30, May 1-2 and was attended by almost one thousand persons interested in the welfare of children and families. Attending from Barium Springs were Miss Gwen Mc-Cain, caseworker, and Mr. Earl Frazier, Director of Campus Life and Mrs. Frazier.

The program consisted of platform addresses along with institutes and sectional meetings on various aspects of child welfare. The keynote speaker at the opening general session was Dr. Ellen Winston of North Carolina. Dr. Winston is a Presbyterian of Raleigh and former Commissioner of Welfare of the United States. Other speakers were Dr. Joseph Reid, Executive Director, Child Welfare League of America, and Mr. Frederick Delliquadri of the Social Security Administration, Baltimore, Maryland.

Such subjects as "Helping Parents Utilize their Full Potential in Their Job as Parents", "General Principles of Growth and Behavior from Birth through Adolescence" "Community Planning for Day Care", and "The Significance of a Positive Self-Concept" were just a few of the many topics discussed.

While the conference did not have a stated theme as such, one can turn back the pages of history a few hundred years to the words of Socrates and there find the real reason for being concerned about children and youth. His words were: "If I could get to the highest place in Athens, I would lift up my voice and say: What mean ye, fellow citizens, that ye turn every stone to scrape wealth together, and take so little care of your children, to whom ye must one day re-linquish all!"









A highlight of every Spring is the Junior-Senior Prom. We proudly present some of our ladies and gentlemen who attended. Left to right Debbie Kennedy and her date Larry Pigg; Barbara Freshwater and Ronnie Christmas; Emily Hutto and her date Rex Cockerham; Patty Fincher and her date Mike Patrick.



"What Does Houseparenting Mean To A Houseparent"

tually worked as houseparents can never really know the full meaning of this experience. However, with the help of the houseparent staff at Barium, we have tried to express some of this meaning, and hope that the imagination of our readers will develop it further.

First of all, to be a houseparent means to feel very personally the crushing weight of seeming defeat, failure, and lack of hope. Houseparents often ask such questions as "What have I done to cause this?" or "What am I accomplishing?" or "Tell me what I'm doing wrong." And not too seldom the conclusion is, "I must not be the right person for this work." These questions and feelings are brought on when a child's actions seem to indicate that he is hustling backwards, that he has given up, that he no longer cares. And the houseparent questions her actions, blames herself, and struggles with feelings of defeat and failure because she cares. All good houseparents experience these feelings.

Closely related to this is another meaning of houseparenting-to experience hurt. It is not easy to see a child make unwise choices, suffer the consequences of these poor choices, and, as so often happens, blame the houseparent or some other convenient person for his or her predicament. Since to genuinely care for someone yields to that someone the power to hurt us, the houseparent quite regularly feels the hurt of having her caring rejected and denied. "You don't care so I don't care," is a familiar sword to all houseparents. And the only shield against this sword is not to care—a tempting piece of armour indeed. To be a good houseparent, however, means to care, and, thereby, to lay oneself open to hurt.

Another familiar experience to the houseparent is to feel caught or trapped between individuals or groups-be they children, parents, caseworkers, or other staff. Since the duties and involvements of the houseparent are so numerous and diverse, the scope of the job and its responsibilities is seldom fully understood by anyone. To other people it seems quite reasonable to expect the houseparent to be a complete parent-substitute for each of ten or twelve children. Parents, sometimes out of their own inability to help Johnny, wonder why Mrs. White can't help more. Teachers see no reason for Mrs. Brown not to help Dan with his reading 'just 30 minutes each day". Other staff members wonder, "Why did Mrs. Black let Joan wear that dress?" "What is wrong with Mrs. Green that Lena dislikes her so?' "Why in the world did Mrs. Gray punish Sam for just talking a little

Those of us who have not ac- in Church?" The questioning (judging?) goes on without all the facts about each situation and the houseparent has quite a job explaining her way off the spot over and over again.

A fourth result of houseparenting is to hunger for adult relationships and normal social experiences. Living with children twenty four hours each day leaves limited opportunities for these important relationships and experiences. It is too easy for houseparents to find themselves so caught up in the rush and confusion of campus living that there is no time for establishing and maintaining other relationships.

Perhaps too much has been said about the negative factors in houseparenting and not enough about the positive. One might reasonably ask, What about the thrill of seeing children make progress?" This is rewarding. Or consider the sense of fulfillment and worthwhileness upon feeling that one has truly been of help. No adequate expression is possible for the feeling that pervades when one's caring is accepted, used, and appreciated. These things happen too and give meaning to the houseparent's life. In fact, without such experiences no houseparent could long endure. The following letter, for example, was written to a houseparent.

Mrs. Brown,

I am sorry for not bringing that glass up to the kitchen this morning. I meant to bring it when I came to breakfast.

Take notice to the houseswept everything except the bedrooms. The little girls cleaned up their own rooms and swept them. They all have their school clothes out too. I cleaned up the diningroom and kitchen and moped both. I hope they satisfy you.

Did you notice our new furniture? Your desk, three tables and the dryer, isn't that great!?

I hope you had fun today and also hope your bridge club turned out okey!

See ya in the morning! Love you!

Penny (Dick!!!!) Ha! P. S. Jan and I turned down your

bed. I left you a little-tiny something to eat. Always remember we all do love you!

Houseparenting is rough, but not all bad.

We end our series about houseparents with a prayer written for Barium houseparents in an effort to express understanding of and appreciation for the important work they do.

HOUSEMOTHER'S PRAYER

Almighty God, help me as I labor with these often unlovely children of thine. Help me to want

to make them mine in the truest sense. Then keep me from trying to do so.

Lord, help me when I struggle with schedules, dirty clothes, dirty children, dirty language, and dirty attitudes. Give me, I pray, the strength to handle the dirty feelings which gnaw at me during these times.

Father, make me aware of the opportunities lurking behind cold stares, the needs beneath all defensiveness, and the pleasures just beyound cutting words. And may I have sufficient patience, persistence, love, and concern to go the second mile of understanding and the third mile of acceptance.

Dear God, give me the wisdom to work cooperatively with my coworkers, or at least the grace to tolerate them when cooperation seems impossible. May our working together be fruitful if not always pleasant.

And when I have attained that level of performance outlined for me by administration, demanded of me by children, and expected of me by other staff—on that day, Dear Lord, move over!

Amen

### **ALUMNI NEWS**

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publication "For Adults Only" from the Department of Community Colleges, Adult Education Division of the State Board of Education. Charles M. Barrett is the Educational Director.

Born to De Anne and Alfred Williams, a daughter, at Iredell Memorial Hospital in April.

Joey Gibbs, son of Margie and Joe Ben Gibbs, of Troutman has been elected Treasurer of the Student Council for 1969-1970 at South Iredell High School. He is Vice-President of the Sophomore Class this year. He is a member of the Junior Varsity football team, wrestling and track teams, Junior Jaycees, Monogram Club and French

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# Susan McKinley Goes To South America



SUSAN McKINLEY

We know all our readers and supporters will join with staff and children in congratulations to Susan McKinley. She has been chosen by her school (South Iredell High School) to be an exchange student for the summer in Argentina.

This is an exchange student program sponsored through the high schools by the International Fellowships, Inc. The students are chosen largely on their academic ability and some knowledge of a foreign language.

Susan is sixteen years of age and has finished her sophomore year in high school. She is a straight "A" student and excels in all that she attempts to do. She is a valuable member of the varsity girls basketball team where she plays forward. Susan makes most of her own clothes and has other varied talents.

She has called Barium Springs home since 1962 and lives in Ho-

ward Cottage. This is one of the family cottages and also living there with her are her three brothers: Charles, age 15; Richard, age 13; and Steve, age 9.

While in Argentina she will be living with a family. The family is Dr. and Mrs. Jose' Martin Areta of Monte Caseros, Ctes. They have children near the age of Susan, so you can see she has a lot to look forward to in this experience.

Susan will attend school for a part of her three months stay. She will also go on several guided tours of the country in addition to the plans which her immediate hosts will provide.

We want you to know that we are extremely proud of Susan. She will be a good example of a North American youth and hopefully this will be an asset not only to herself but to the good-will of her native land.

Susan left on Thursday, June 12th by plane and will return following Labor Day in September. We know you join with us in extending best wishes to her.

We might close by saying that such experiences do not come free. There is expense for the family of the young person so honored. In this case Barium Springs is her family; and, even though the cost was approximately \$900.00 and we had nothing in our budget for it, we could not deny her this honor and trip. There may be those who would like to be a part of helping us, and, if so, we shall be grateful.

# Alumni News

Percy Utsman has returned from Vietnam and is spending some time at Barium. After his leave he will be stationed at Fort Hunter Army Air Force Base, Georgia.

Al Blake, who is serving in the Submarine Division of the Navy, spent a few days at Barium recently.

Congratulations to the following graduates: Eddie Webb from Hoke County High School in Raeford; Randy Medlin from Maxton High School; Bill Johnson, son of Myrtle and W. A. Johnson, from Maxton High School; Dalma Lee Jessup, Jr., from Claremont Central High School in Hickory; and David Spencer, Jr., son of Lugene and David Spencer, from McCallie in Chattanooga, Tennessee; Robert Earl Waters, son of Dorothy (Weeks) Waters Ellis, from New Hanover High School in Wilmington; Bruce Alexander, son of Paul Reed, from Geneva High School, Geneva, Alabama.

Susan Twombly, daughter of Wallace and Birdie Twombly, was selected to attend Girls' State at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Susan is a rising senior at South Iredell High School. She is a member of the Beta, French, and Math Clubs, and a Keyette.

Lacy Lentz was married to Myrnette Maurine Moore on Saturday the 7th of June at Cedar Hills Baptist Church in Jacksonville, Florida.

Joe Ramsey and his wife, Hilda and their two children. Diane and Robert. worshipped with us Sunday, May 18th and had dinner in the dining room. Joe has been stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and will be leaving soon for Germany where they will be for two or three years.

Ross. son of Delores (Ramsey) and Bobby McMannen, came with Joe and his family.

Kay Brewer Painter and Edna Ellis of Durham were recent visi-

During commencement at Mc-Callie, David M. Spencer, Jr., was awarded the Superior National De-

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# Youth Join Church

On the Sundays of June 1st and June 8th nine young people placed their membership in Little Joe's Presbyterian Church. Two were by transfer of letter and the others on profession of faith.

Those uniting were: Sally Kinney, Ann Parker, Dianna Armstrong, Sue Parker, Billy Long, Mike Morris, Dean Melvin, Bobby Hoover, and Worth Sides.

We congratulate these young people on this most important decision and wish them much joy in the Christian life.

# Summer Camp

Children all look forward to the summer and the many varied activities that are available to them.

During the week of June 9th a number were at Camp Grier attending the Senior High Conference. They were Emily Hutto, Pat Walden, Charles McKinley, Jean Etri, Faye Mathis, Sally Kinney, and Patsy Clark.

Attending the Wilderness Camp, also at Camp Grier, were Dean Melvin, Freddie Webb, Worth Sides, Billy Long, Richard McKinley, and Mike Morris.

# Reflections Of A Male Mother

BILL WILLIAMS CHARLIE BAKER

Editor's note: The following article was written by these two young men who served as "houseparents" at Johnston Cottage for the seven months, November through May. They were both Seniors at Davidson College and on graduation day Bill Williams was presented the Algernon Sydney Sullivan award and Charlie Baker was acclaimed Cum Laude. Yes, they did their school work well, and not only put in a full day's work at Barium, but did it well.

# Nurse's Song

When the voices of children are heard on the green
And laughing is heard on the hill,

And laughing is heard on the hill, My heart is at rest within my breast And everything else is still.

Then come home, my children, the sun is gone down

And the dews of night arise; Come, come, leave off play, and let us away

Till the morning appears in the skies.'

No, no let us play, for it is yet day And we cannot go to sleep; Besides, in the sky the little birds

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# HOMECOMING August 10th Barium Springs

Cordial Welcome To All Alumni Bring Your Family—Picnic Lunch Plans Are For A Wonderful Day

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

All of the children in Church School Classes one through five were privileged to attend Bible School during the week of June 9th. Classes were held in the old elementary school building from 10:00 A. M. to 12:00 noon each day Monday through Friday. To climax the week a swimming party

and picnic were held on Saturday following the school.

The Bible School was under the direction of Mr. Jim Gilmore, Supervisor of Youth Activities at the Home. Helping with the teaching were summer staff members Mr. John Akers and Misses Connie Lowrance and Marsha Springs.

# CHANGES IN SCENERY







As needs shift and concepts in child care are oltered, buildings too must face the march of time ond progress. Many will remember Jennie Gilmer cottoge os it appears of the upper left. For years (built 1924) it housed children in stately fashion on the knoll at the bock of the ployground. The next photo shows the same building todoy minus the second story and with its face lifted. In its present form Jennie Gilmer is our infirmary, newly appointed and complete with modern medical and dental equipment. Borium Springs also has a new post office pictured at right. It is situated in front of Johnston Gymnasium and about eighty yords north of the old Post Office. Birdie Twombly, postmistress, attests to the long need for this change. Attractive, isn't it?

# WHAT REALLY COUNTS

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

I have before me Presbytery's statistical report to the General Assembly for the year 1968. I am always interested in looking at these figures to see what other churches have been doing statistically, even though I don't usually put too much confidence in what numbers prove.

As I count these figures, I notice that there is only one other church with more accessions by faith than ours. This rather surprises me since we are fairly small in number, and I had thought we had done rather poorly in adding believers to the church. I notice some rather large churches haven't done much at all.

This interests me. It says something. While there is less concern for the church by the general public, and membership in mainline denominations is off some, these statistics tend to support other evidence that the Presbyterian U.S. Church, while glad to receive members into the fold, fails to convert non-believers. Such accessions by faith as we do have—as is true in my own church—usually are children or teen-agers that have grown up in the covenant body.

While one can prove almost anything one wants to from the Bible, and one can, by quoting scripture, establish evidence for almost any position, I feel that generally the honest reader will have to admit that the Bible teaches that something must happen to a man for him to become a Christian. This something is more than just consenting to join the church or being a nice fellow. It is more like what is suggested in 1 John 5:11-12: "...God gave us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who has not the Son has not life." Usually, we refer to this process of salvation as conversion.

Conversion may happen in any number of different ways, some of which are quite unusual and dramatic. For instance, not long ago there was a coal mine disaster on Big Swewll Mountain in West Virginia. Some accident caused one of the deep shafts to be flooded with thousands of gallons of water. Ten men were missing in the dark depths and families waited above fearfully for the confirmation of their worst fears.

However, the search for the lost men went on and after ten days. six of the prisoners of the damp dungeon were found alive. Black with coal dust, one remarked, "Who said miracles don't happen?" (as he was carried off to the hospital). Who can know all of what went on in these men's minds while they were entombed. But Joseph Fitzwater, 33, exclaimed, "I was a sinner when I went into that mine, but I came out a Christian." He was converted.

Hopefully, most persons will not need to be threatened with death to be converted. Hopefuly, it would be better if the message of Christ could be presented by ministers and other Christians in such a way as to woo and challenge them to commit their lives to Christ. But this isn't always the case.

James Brown is a Presbyterian minister. He says that he came out of the seminary eager to build up the kingdom, but in the process that he managed to ignore his relationship to the King. He failed to see that only Jesus Christ can produce a new man for the new world he was so inter-

ested in establishing.

He was invited to attend a Bible study and prayer meeting conducted by an outsider to the community. He didn't really want to go, but since some of his congregation was attending he felt that it was his duty to check up on what was going on. What really distressed him was that he learned that the preacher was a Pentecostal. He said that he could have stood anything, even a Roman Catholic priest, but he knew how wild and emotional the Pentecostals were-even though he had never met one in his life-so he didn't want to get too closely involved.

The first night, even though he was looking, he couldn't find too much to criticize. The second night he listened more carefully and discovered that instead of being against the minister that he was for him. Suddenly he realized that he was getting all shaken up. Something was happening to him, and he didn't know what it was. Then it seemed to him as if God spoke to him saying, "My servant knows me in a dimension of which you know nothing about." His heart responded, "That's true! However, I want to know this Jesus whom he is talking about.

James Brown reports that this was the beginning of his conversion. The rest of his experience or experiences are rather interesting but not pertinent to our thought at this point. What is important is that here was a minister that needed conversion himself, and that after his conversion he then became able to lead others to Jesus Christ. Isn't this what really counts?

We as Presbyterians have just about turned over the process of conversion to non-denominational ministers and to sect groups. We don't seem to realize the implication of what we are doing or to be aware of what the consequences will mean in a few more years. Statistics can lie, but in this case the evidence suggests the drying up if not the dying of the church.

For some reason or another we cannot lower ourselves to the common level of preaching or witnessing for conversion and for a response of personal committment. Perhaps it is because we associate the whole matter with a mood such as I witnessed recently at a preaching service in Charlotte, N. C.

The minister had been a successful and rather prominent Baptist, but presently is unaffiliated with any denomination. I must confess that I didn't really like his style or the way he related to the congregation. But he was pressing for commitment. He gave personal testimony and evid-

# REFLECTIONS OF A MALE MOTHER

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And the hills are all covered with sheep.

"Well, well, go and play till the light fades away And then go home to bed." The little ones leaped and shouted and laugh'd And all the hills echoed.

William Blake

We weren't mothers or fathers. We were labeled "house-parents" and never even came close to being good ones because we neither could nor wanted to be. In order to be a house-parent, you have to hate dirt. You have to hate dirt so bad that the sight of it sets some kind of thing running all around your brain that makes you want to get rid of it. Sometimes we sort of even liked the dirt that lived in our house for seven months or so. But usually we just didn't think about it one way or the other. And dirt to a boy means comfort. Our boys were the most comfortable boys on campus.

Imagine a continuum at one end of which is the label "kid" and at the other end of which is the label "houseparent." Now on this scale, we would probably fall at approximately the middle. We had the adult qualities of power, experience, insight and other characteristics that are generally considered to be lacking in a kid. But we also had the kid qualities of questioning, imagining, and playful plotting that are generally considered to be lacking in the adult. We were caught in the middle-somewhere between kid and houseparent-and we were enjoying it.

Dealing with children may be one of the best ways of coming to grips with the general ethical responsibility of the adult. We were in a controlling role in which we were constantly forced to examine (and often change) our views on universal topics such as war, religion, sex, truth, and love. We saw

ourselves in the children at every turn. It is impossible, we learned, to understand children and be a pacifist at the same time. We were often in the uncomfortable position of being expected to punish a boy for something that we either do ourselves or would certainly do in the same situation.

"Bill, Charlie—is it wrong to kiss

a girl."
"Well boys, we see it like this. How could there possibly be anything wrong with anything that is

that much fun.'

In addition we had to help inforce rules that were extremely disagreeable to us. One of the most maturing and comforting situations that a child needs to appreciate is privacy, a situation which is difficult for an institution to make available.

We may have had as many good effects on the children as bad ones. according to current labels. It may be hard to tell for a while. But we are certain that it was an uneven trade: we got more than the boys from our experience as houseparents. We watched them use the same tricks we used just a few years ago. We watched them playing mad and fighting mad with the same people — ourselves included. The irony is that we were paid for it. The education we paid for at Davidson was often less relevant than the education we were paid for at Barium.

We could not have stayed at Barium without the extensive and enthusiastic help of other members of the staff, whom we thank now. Their generosity was exceeded only by their good looks. But even more important were eight boys who often did our job for us. Probably the best thing we did with them was laugh. These were eight of the finest comedians in the world. They are wonderful and wondering — probably more wonderful than we know. Maybe we helped them grow a little, but they helped us grow a lot. And we wouldn't do it again, but neither would we take anything for our experience.

ence of having been used in the conversion of thousands in evangelistic trips in other countries.

As he was preaching, a young Negro girl suddenly jumped up and began to whirl around, jerking as if possessed by some outside force. The preacher, nonplussed, stopped his preaching and went over to minister to her. He quited her and accepted her profession of faith. He then invited a white woman in the audience to come show her attention. This she did by going over and putting her arms around the Negro woman. (How's that for real racial acceptance?)

Some of this bothered me. What I have said may offend you. But what is a Presbyterian going to do that lost 1091 members and gained only 323 by profession of faith?

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### **ALUMNI NEWS**

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fense Cadet Medal. His father, David, Sr., presented the Billy Wemyss Trophy for the Best Spirit in Athletics and also the Taylor Wade Medal to students during the commencement. Dave, Sr., will direct the day camp at McCallie this summer. David, Jr., will enter the University of Tennessee this fall. Bobby Spencer, son of Ralph and Bobbie (Marlowe) Spencer will also enter the University of Tennessee as a junior.

Announcement has been made that Joyce Ann Twombly, daughter of Roscoe and Mary Belle (Smith) Twombly, will marry James George Frye of Sarasota, Florida on June 28.

Born to Shirley (Byrd) and Tom Schomishch, of Appleton, Wisconsin, on May 17, a son, Joseph Karl.

Born to Helen (Spencer) and Skip Kirby of Winston-Salem, on May 23, a daughter.

Joy (Stone) and Jim Summers are moving to Winston - Salem where Jim has accepted work. He has served as Scout Leader at First Presbyterian Church in Statesville for the last 14 years and will be greatly missed there.

Nancy Finly, student at Montreat - Anderson College made a short visit to Barium.

Billy Finly was married June 8th in Spartanburg to Peggy Monteith.

Gene Williamson is at Barium, having completed his freshman year at Pembroke College.

Jim White and his family are Reading, Pennsylvania where Jim is going to school. On finishing his course he wil be an Industrial Engineer at a plant in Rich Square, N. C.

Jim Hoover has returned from Vietnam and after spending his leave at Barium will report to Quantico, Virginia.

Evelyn and Jerry Young of Kannapolis worshipped with us on June 8th and had dinner in the dining room.

Henry Harris made a short visit to Barium. The IBM Company in Raleigh he is connected with is sending him to Catawba College to take some courses.

We are looking forward to seeing you August 10th. This one day out of the year gives you an op-portunity to renew friendships and make new friends. Come early, stay



Remember Barium Springs In Your Will

### Do You Have A Will?

If you have received correspondence from our office during the last two years you probably noticed the title of this article as an advertisement printed by our postage meter. You might have also noticed that it is printetd on the bottom edge of our stationery. Then, through the year on special printed materials it has been repeated several times. This is intended to be a subtle teaser which will stay in your mind and prod your conscience when you consider the important matter of planning your estate.

The preparation of a Will is in truth long term planning for pro-tection of family interests. It is also a means of guaranteeing dependable management of financial resources, and an excellent opportunity to express Christian Stewardship. A Will should be planned early in adult life and changed from time to time as family responsibilities and other situations may change.

There are several main parts to any Will. Specific bequests and devises distribute gifts of personal property, parcels of real estate, gifts of jewelry and other items of considerable value, and any personal item which you may wish to leave to a particular person.

Young families need to consider the appointment of a guardian for minor children. This should be specified in the Will to avoid the necessity of court appointment and the related expense, even though under normal conditions the surviving spouse will be named. An alternate guardian should also be named if you have any preference. This is in the event both parents should become deceased, as by common accident. If an alternate is not named, the choice becomes that of the court.

The residue of an estate is frequently the main part and includes anything and everything not bequeathed to particular persons. It can be divided into several shares very effectively by using percentages. Percentage shares are necessary, unless a single residual beneficiary is named, because an estate will almost never amount to a predictable sum.

Careful thought should be given the choice of executor or executrix, and this also becomes a part of the Will

Why make a Will? To be sure your desires will be followed. If you eave no Will, your estate will be distributed along guidelines set by law which may not correspond to your wishes. Prevent misunderstandings among your heirs. See that your children are cared for by the person you desire with the least amount of administrative expense and bother. Be able to say who will handle your estate. Save money with proper consultation on tax savings and reduction in probate costs.

A great deal can be at stake involving your estate. If you do not have a Will, see your attorney. Turn good intentions into legally executed future reality.

### Perpetuate Your Christian Influence

Let's assume that throughout your life you have been an active member and supporter of your church. You have contributed heavily of your time and money. Then, when you die all of your good work and influence ceases - unless you make provision in your Will to carry forward the effort you made

There are many many ways to accomplish the purpose of good work in your name after death, and many things to consider. As a person involved with child care at Barium Springs Home for Children, I naturally would wish that you consider this place as an appropriate way to continue your Christian influence. In a strong sense, a bequest to Barium Springs is even more a way to further Christian influence. If you will think for a moment of the manifold lives that are enriched, redirected, guided, educated, and in some cases even prolonged by Barium Springs' child care program, you will see that a bequest to this institution even extends your own life in the lives of young people. Your investment reaps rich dividends.

Before you commit any bequest to a legally bound testament, consult the administration of the object of your gift. Generally, gifts are either restricted or unrestricted. That is, you can designate in your Will a specific purpose for the funds you leave, or you can leave the decision of how it is to be used to the administration and governing body of the institution.

At Barium Springs, unrestricted bequests become a part of our Main Endowment which furnishes income for operation of programs and day to day expenses. This is important to any institution because this is predictable income around which future plans can be laid with reasonable assurance of financial backing.

However, you may prefer that your gift be designated for a building, for implementation of a pet project, for some special purpose which will be named in your honor. This is fine and by no means pompous. It may give you the feeling that what you did will leave the world a little better than you found it and that people will remember it was you who provided the means. If you first consult the administration about such intentions, however, you can be assured that your

Remember Barium Springs when planning Special Projects. Remember Barium Springs in your Will. Remember Barium Springs with Memorials. Remember Barium Springs with year end Gifts.

# Happenings Around Campus

Getting a glad welcome back to the campus during June were Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Steele. They worked at Barium for several years prior to 1965 when they left to be houseparents at the Mills' Home in Thomasville. Upon returning they are houseparents at Sullivan Cottage and have under their care twelve high school age girls.

New houseparents at Johnston Cottage are Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Norris. Already the natural parents of eleven children they now have taken on a cottage of boys. These are adolescent age boys, and I believe you will agree after their large family they are well prepared.

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Enjoying a train trip from Charlotte to Salisbury were the twelve boys in Stultz Cottage where Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stroud are houseparents.

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restricted bequest will be for something needed and meaningful to the recipient.

## Taxes

If yours is an estate of considerable size, there may also be a very real tax savings through a Will which provides for a bequest to Barium Springs Home for Children. Bequests to religious, charitable and educational groups are not presently subject to Federal estate taxes which may be substantial on large estates. By making a bequest to Barium Springs in your Will, you may reduce the total taxes to be paid from your estate. Thus, your gift to a church related program may cost less than its actual value. The larger your estate in total value, the greater the tax savings, and the lower the cost to you of each dollar in cash or property you might bequeath to this institution.

Lest the avoidance of maximum taxation seem devious or in any way undesirable I wish to quote the following:

"Anyone may so arrange his affairs that his taxes shall be as low as possible; he is not bound to choose that pattern which best pays the Treasury; there is not even a patriotic duty to increase one's taxes.'

U. S. Supreme Court, Gregory vs. Helvering

Make a Christian Will. Insofar as you are able, provide for the per-peruation of the work and ministry of Christ by including considerations for the church and its work in a modern, changing world. Barium Springs Home for Children is doing its job as a Christian influence in the very heart of modern social disruption and discord. And when you make your Will, Remember Barium Springs.

# New Film Strip

We are most pleased to announce the completion of a film strip entitled, "WHO CARES". It is a production of the staff of Barium Springs and runs for twelve min-

As far as we know it is the first of its type in the child care field,

It is designed for showing and to twenty minutes following. In most instances, therefore, we will try to schedule a Barium staff per-

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# Our Own Alan Keith-Lucas Honored

"Alan Keith-Lucas, whom we honor tonight and to whom the Silver Anniversary Workshop of child care executives, supervisors, and social workers in children's homes and agencies is dedicated, has brought us leadership and inspiration for nearly two decades.

He began his association with the University of North Carolina in 1950. Three years later he became Director of the Chapel Hill Workshops and in 1956 he became Director of the Group Child Care Project. Through the years, the lives of many children and their families have been improved and enriched as a result of his services to this and other institutions and programs. He has made significant contributions as Alumni Distinguished Professor of Social Work, Consultant to child care agencies, Acting and Associate Dean of the School of Social Work of the University of North Carolina, visiting Professor at the London School of Economic and Political Science, Kenneth L. N. Pray visiting Professor of the School of Social Work of the University of Pennsylvania, and in other capacities. Through his writings, he has shared his knowledge and experience with many who have not had the privilege of association with him in the classroom or in his other areas of service.

We salute him as scholar, author, international educator, social worker, theologian, and Christian gentleman and are most grateful to him for helping us to be a part of one of the most exciting and progressive programs in our country today—that of child care, with its responsibilities and opportunities."

Quoted from: Silver Anniversary

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Editors Note: Yes, we do claim him as our own. In the first place, he is a Presbyterian—an elder in the University Presbyterian Church, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Dr. Keith-Lucas is a member of the Board of Regents, Barium Springs Home for Children and Chairman of it's Long-Range Planning Committee. More than this he is a friend of all the children and staff



ALAN KEITH-LUCAS

at Barium Springs. He is a close friend of the administration and a most valued consultant. We congratulate him and his wife, Jill, for this most deserved honor and wish for them the very best in the years ahead. "Keith", come to see us often. We love you.

# Orchard

By the time you receive this issue of *The Messenger* most of our crop of peaches will be gone. But, as this is being written, we are in the middle of a very good harvest season.

Also, this year for the first time we have a crop of grapes. Keep this in mind next year; and, if you want grapes, think of Barium about the first of August. We will have plenty.

Again this year we have an abundant apple crop. The trees are loaded with excellent quality fruit. Red and yellow delicious apples will be harvested the last of August and first of September. Then, winesap, Arkansas blacks, and black twigs will come in rapid succession. When you think of apples this fall, come to see us. You will benefit two ways—by getting good apples and seeing your Presbyterian child care program in operation.

# Miss Bonnie Homesley Weds Mr. Larry Ashley

Bonnie Homesley of Barium Springs and James Larry Ashley of Troutman were married on June 21st at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon at Little Joe's Presbyterian Church.

The minister, the Reverend Earle Barron, performed the double ring ceremony. Prior to the ceremony Mrs. Clinton Clontz, organist, played selections from Handel and Bach and used the traditional wedding march. Mr. Shepherd Speight of Barium Springs sang "The Song of Ruth" and "The Lord's Prayer." Palms, candles, and arrangements of white gladiola and mums were used in the church.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, Troy Baxter Homesley of Cherryville, was dressed in a floor-length white gown of organza featuring hand-clipped appliques and a chapel train. She wore a finger tip veil of illusion and carried a nosegay of white roses.

Miss Susie Webb of Barium Springs and Mrs. Gene Pharr of Troutman, sister of the bridegroom, attended with Miss Faye Mathis of Barium Springs as maid of honor. They wore floor-length gowns of pink and carried nosegays of pink Sweetheart roses. Headpieces were of circular pink net.

Jimmy Sherrill of Troutman served as best man and groomsmen were David Bowers and Leonard Ashley.

The bride is a daughter of Mis. JoAnne Rose of Brevard and Troy Baxter Homesley of Cherryville, and is a student at South Iredell High School.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Ashley of Troutman and a student at Mitchell Junior College.

Dr. and Mrs. Nat K. Reiney were hosts on Friday evening at their home in Barium Springs for a cakecutting honoring the couple. An arrangement of pink flowers was used in the center of the rable and a three tiered wedding cake, topped with a bride and groom. was served with mints, nuts and punch. Members of the wedding party relatives, and close friends were invited. Dur-



ing the evening, the couple presented members of the wedding party with gifts.

# Population Changes

Summertime means a number of different things to different people. To most, it's vacation time. This is true at Barium Springs. All children were able to spend two weeks with their parents and relatives. Also, most of our staff were able to get some rest and relaxation.

But at Barium the coming of summer also means a time when many children can be reunited with their families on a permanent basis. By and large they have spent an average of about three years here. During this time they have received the best of care. However, as important as is good care, even more rewarding to children is good planning with their family and the Barium staff.

A family oriented program is a must for any good residential care of children. Our social workers spend a great deal of their time helping parents to reassume their full responsibility for caring for their children. Many family conferences are held and families have been helped to use other community resources to enable children to return home.

Such a program now in operation

# Chapel Hill Workshops

This is a very historic year for the Chapel Hill Workshops. Since 1944 these workshops have served well the child care agencies of the southeast, and even today the entire country. From a small beginning in those war-torn days, these workshops have helped thousands of child care executives, social workers, houseparents, and auxiliary staff to do a better job in aiding needy children and their families.

The leadership of Barium Springs had a part in the early beginning. We quote from Dr. Alan Keith-Lucas' history of the Chapel Hill Workshops, "The quality of the men who formed the first Workshop Committee-Dr. I. G. Grier, A. T. Jamison—and Joseph Johnson (former Superintendent of Barium Springs Home for Children), giants indeed, who set the high standards of the southern children's homes, and of its leadership — a tradition that continues to this day." And may we add that Barium Springs continues to contribute to this leadership in that its present Executive Director, Nat K. Reiney, is a member and vice - chairman of the Board of Governors.

Attending the workshops from Barium Springs this year were: Miss Lois Jackson, Miss Linda Shoemaker, Miss Gwen McCain. Mr. Meredith White, Mr. Rufus Fisher, Mr. Earle Frazier, and Mr. Henry Otten. Mr. Frazier was a Consultant for the Houseparent's Institute. Most of this group along with Mr. and Mrs. Reiney attended the Silver Anniversary Banquet on July 31st at which time Dr. Alan Keith-Lucas was honored.

at Barium has enabled 22 children to return home so far this year. Another advantage to this good planning is that many more children can be helped. For as these children leave care an equal number come into care. Already there are many new faces on campus and more will arrive by the time school starts late in August.



Auxiliary summer staff: Connie Lowrance, Charlie Baker, Marsha Springs, Susie Ford and John Akers.



Marsha helps Eric Felch complete a project in the arts and craft program.



Connie instructs Lisa Johnson on the proper way to grip a tennis racquet.



Miss Ford with one of her groups learning to play guitar.

# TRIUMPHANT TRUST

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

Trust is confidence in someone. Trust is faith that your friend won't stab you in the back. Trust is certainty that the other fellow means well. Trust is assurance that most persons will accept rather than reject you. Trust is the basis for the happiness that comes with getting along with people.

Sometimes it is difficult to trust people. For instance, it is easy to see why the early Christians could not trust the newly converted Paul. Before his Damascus experience he had hounded the Church, hauling off men and women to prison and to death. When he suddenly started preaching the faith he had previously persecuted all the Christians could think was, "What's he up to?"

It is not as easy to see why many children here in the Home cannot trust when practically everyone is good to them, offering to supply both material and emotional needs. At least it is not easy to understand unless we know something about their backgrounds. They have been subjected to rejection, incessant inconsistency, uncertainty, disappointment, dishonesty, infidelity, lies, fear, separation, and who knows what else.

Others of us, young and old, have also had experiences which turn trust from triumph to tragedy. I remember a business man and his wife, as well as the man's junior partner. I was impressed with the close relationship of the trio, their warmth, congeniality, and friendliness. The partner was treated like a member of the family. He handled personal as well as business financial affairs.

Imagine the pain of the business man and his wife when they discovered that the junior partner was a forger and embezzler. Over a period of several years, he had stolen several thousand dollars from them. They couldn't believe it! When the truth could not be avoided, they were hurt and angry. The business man admitted that for a while he could hardly trust people. "If one so close could fool me, what about others?"

Many have had so many such experiences that they lose the ability to trust. But fortunately it may take only one good personal experience to shatter the wall of doubt and open the way for confidence in others. Ardis Whitman said that he was brought up in the street, and that he might still be there if it wasn't for one man. He wasn't a professional church or social worker, he was just a man interested in boys. Whitman knew that he liked to be with him. Once, said Whitman, he stole some money from his friend. Imagine his surprise when instead of a lecture or threats he gave him some more money and said, "I guess you really had to have it." The young thief was so impressed that he got to thinking that there just might be something good in the world after allsomething you could trust.

Group experiences are especially helpful in developing trust. In groups, one learns to become open, to express one's self, and to believe that others can like you. Trust develops. It was in a group experience that the business man and his wife previously mentioned were helped to come to terms with their feelings of hurt, anger, and loss of trust. Others were able to support them and encourage them at their time of crisis.

But trust can be triumphant only if we realize there is always an element of risk. Every time we trust someone we are taking a chance he will let us down. Sometimes we will be hurt, but the more often we 'survive" the stronger our trust.

A college girl found it difficult to adjust to being away from the security of her home. One way she handled this was to play the role of "good student." But she was so rigid she couldn't make any friends. Her advisor suggested letting lose and "being herself." She did only to find that most of the other students weren't any more interested in her real self than her role playing. This could have been disastrous but with help and the support of a few friends she was able to give up the need for absolute security and become willing to practice trusting even though she sometimes suffered rebuff and rejection. She became "tougher" and able

While I wouldn't want to limit the power of God, ordinarily, our ability to trust Him is strengthened or weakened by our experiences of faith with other persons. What John says about "he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen," (I John 4:20) is equally true of trust. This can be demonstrated over and over again in an institution such as this. The children have had an extremely difficult time in believing in and resting on God because of their past family experiences.

Fortunately Jesus came to show us that God can be trusted, because Jesus himself could be trusted. As he said, "He that hath seen me hath seen the Father," (John 14:9). In trusting Jesus, his disciples trusted God the Father.

This experience is still open to us. Whenever we can find an individual or a group in which the Spirit of Christ abides, and we are willing to risk the inevitable human imperfection, then we are able to experience the trust we need in a God who will not let us down.

# Alumni News

Born to Sara and Richard Blackburn of Jackson, Mississippi, a daughter, Mary Catherine, on June They have two other children.

Billy Finley was married to Margaret Montieth of Boiling Springs, South Carolina on June 8. Billy will return to State this fall.

Douglas Finley was married to Brenda Martez of Hickory on June 28. She is a nurse at Memorial Hospital in Charlotte.

Jane Ann Johnston was married to Thomas Morgan Donaldson, June 7 in Montevallo, Alabama. He is with the United States Marine Corps. She is the daughter of Bill and Nell Johnston.

Sunday, the 6th of July, a reception was given in Newton by Mr. and Mrs. James McConnell on the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Garland Mc-

Mike, the son of Lt. Col. John and Earnestine (Garrett) Young of Springfield, Va., has entered the Air Force Academy. He graduated with honors from high school. John will be going to Thailand in September for a year on a research assignment as a staff scientist.

Donald and Sally Frazier have moved to Hockessin, Del., where Donald will be head of the Middle School in the Sanford School and he will also be head basketball coach. This school is about 10 miles from Wilmington, Del. Sally will be teaching English at Tetnall School in Wilmington, Del. Both of these schools are college preparatory. Donald will have the portunity to work toward his Master's Degree at the University of Delaware and will begin taking courses in January. Before moving from Savannah, Annie Lee and her family, and Wilbert and his family visited Donald and Sally.

Charles B. Prestwood, who finish ed high school at Barium in 1925. visited on the campus. He is living in Houston, Texas, and is with the Mounted Patrol in the sheriff's department. He is a deacon in the Church of the Covenant in Hous-

Shirley (Shaw) Clawson wrote of activities of her family. One of her boys, Denny, is on the All Star team in the Little League baseball team in Jacksonville, Fla. Her brother, Neil, is teaching in Santa Maria, California, in junior college and high school, and works on Saturdays with retarded children. This summer he is vacationing in Mex-

Mozelle Beck and her husband, Ray Swank, visited Barium recently. They live just out of Washington at Kensington, Md.

John and Dot (Weeks) Ellis from Wilmington, and Margaret Weeks Stewart from Gastonia worshipped with us Sunday morning. July 20, and had dinner in the dining room.

Born to Rufus and Peggy (Bradford) Long in Seoul. Korea. on July 3, a daughter, Ruth Ann. Rufus and Peggy have 3 boys and 3 girls. The oldest boy, Brad, is working in Alaska for a while this summer, and George is touring Korea with a Canadian minister. During the spring holidays, the boys went to Japan and to the Philippeans for a jamboree.

Jackie (Tavlor) and her husband. Fred Chamblee, visited Barium. Fred is a pharmacist and he

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and Mrs. Herman O. Best,

and a partner have a drug store in

Chapel Hill. Bobbie (Marlowe) Spencer and her son David Lee and his wife visited Barium. They were in Montreat for the Music Conference.

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# A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A SOCIAL WORKER AT BARIUM SPRINGS

What does a social worker do? This is a question that often comes to one working in the field of social welfare. It isn't always easy to answer. The following is written to give some idea of what takes place during a typical day in the office of any of the five social workers at Barium Springs.

The day begins at 8:30. Ordinarily the first item of business is to read and answer the day's mail. One letter may come from a mother asking for her child to come home for a visit on a particular weekend. Bus schedules have to be checked and proper notification to the child, his cottage and his parent must be made. Another letter from a mother may voice concern over not having received a letter from her son for several weeks. A Department of Social Services in a distant county may be writing to refer for possible placement a family with which it has been working. Another letter may be cancelling an appointment which necessitates further planning on behalf of the social worker.

These letters are answered and other correspondence is handled. Appointment cards are mailed. A social summary may be sent to an agency requesting help in planning for a child who has already left care and is living in another state. Letters to various family members are sent notifying them of the date and time for a family conference to be held on campus. A parent may need to be reminded that he is not up to date with the financial agreement he made when his child entered care.

Early in the day the worker may have his weekly conference with his supervisor. He prepares an agenda of things he wants to discuss. He brings the supervisor up to date on what is happening in the families with which he works. He tells of his visits to the family homes during the past week. A mother who has recently remarried wants to begin discussions about her children's return to her. A father may be critically ill and his child needs to know about this. A visit to the State Mental Hospital reveals that some progress is being made by a mother, and her doctor is now urging that her children be allowed to visit with her.

Plans for the next trip are also discussed. A father who has lost his iob because of alcoholism needs to be encouraged to seek the right kind of treatment. A grandparent needs to share information with the worker concerning the whereabouts of her daughter who has recently come back into the picture. Permission needs to be sought from a father for his child to visit with his mother who has remarried and lives in another state. A child who has returned home but is still under care needs to be visited. A student in vocational training needs the counsel of the worker concerning future plans upon the completion of his studies.

The worker also discusses what is taking place in the lives of children in care on campus. Recent conferences with a cottage mother reveal that the family placed in her cot-tage last week is adjusting fairly well even though there has been some natural homesickness. One of the girls in one cottage seems not to have any friends and the reasons for this need to be sought. A child who is being seen on a regular basis at the Mental Health Center appears to be responding to this kind of help. A visit from a parent has upset a child and this needs to be worked through.

The supervisor may need to urge the worker to complete his dictation on a certain record. He may assign a new application and offer guidelines as to how best to begin the study. He may have learned something about a particular child in a conference with the Director of Campus Life which needs to be shared with the worker.

Following this conference, if it is Monday, the worker may go to the Case Committee Meeting to bring a recommendation concerning a study he is about to complete. He may have information obtained during his last trip that may have some bearing on deciding how to help a child who has recently run away but is now back on campus. Plans for leaving care are discussed in detail with the committee members so that all may know what may be expected when a family returns to its former com munity. A pastor has been briefed on these plans and his recommendation is shared with the committee.

The early afternoon hours are often used for scheduled conferences with children in care on campus. The worker may want to discuss a recent visit home the child has made. He may want to bring the child up to date on what his parents are now saying about his return home. A teenage girl may be upset over losing her first real boy friend and she needs to confide in someone. A boy has just reached his thirteenth birthday and he needs to take a fresh look at what placement means to him. A child may need to be encouraged to do his best in school so that he will not get further behind. A senior needs help in deciding whether to get married or go on to college.

Some afternoon appointments may be made with parents. A mother who consistently does not keep her promises needs to come in and be faced with the possible reasons for this. A child may have been in care for six months and a family conference needs to be held to determine how well the Agency-Family Agreement is being carried out. If plans for a discharge have already been worked out for another family, a conference is held at the time of leaving care so that everyone concerned may know exactly what the plan is.

Oftentimes during the day telephone calls come in to the worker. A cottage mother may be concerned that one of the children in her cottage continues to be involved in petty thievery and wants to discuss this with the worker. A father may call to say he cannot visit on Sunday as planned and wants his children to know this. A social worker in another agency may need to know some specific information which will help her understand the peculiar actions of a mother who is being seen on a regular basis by her. A member of the auxiliary staff may have observed some behavior on the part of the child at work and wants to share this with the social worker.

Some time needs to be set aside to plan specifically for next week's trip. An appointment needs to be made with a worker from Vocational Rehabilitation in order to help make plans for a child who has reached his limit in public schools and who needs some type of special training in order to prepare for the future.

The keeping of records is important so a regular schedule of dictation needs to be followed so that records are current and of use when needed.

On occasion the social worker transports a child to the Mental Health Clinic or to a medical facility specializing in other health needs. Sometimes he takes a child to the bus station for a trip home.

During the day, time is found for coffee breaks. Even these sometimes are used for planning sessions. During the summer months when the worker is on campus he eats lunch in the central dining hall. This affords another opportunity for informal contacts with children and other staff members and much information is obtained which may not be readily available in a more formal setting.

There never seems to be quite enough time to get everything done that needs to be done, and 5 o'clock often comes too soon. It has been known that telephone calls come after office hours. At times, parents have visited without plans and they need to be seen even if the office is not open for usual business.

Even with a full day's work, it isn't often that you hear a complaint from a social worker. The satisfaction of helping a child realize why it is necessary that he be apart from his family, the joy of helping a family rehabilitate itself, the knowledge that you have been a part in helping a teenager return to mental health, the hope that a child, returning home, now has a chance to live a more normal life, the belief that you have been instrumental in helping a young person realize his potential in life, the heartache of realizing that a teenage boy seems bent on making a

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# FRIENDS OF BARIUM

An Opportunity For Service

Barium has had over the years and still has today literally thousands of Friends. We are grateful for all of them. We need more.

Now we are making an effort to solicit Friends of Barium in a slightly more formal way. One could list many reasons for an organization called "Friends of Barium", but certainly the following are important ones as we see it:

- 1. To create more interest in the ministry of child and family care of the Presbyterian Church in North Carolina.
- 2. To produce and distribute more printed information to the constituency of the Church.
- 3. To enlist individual centers of influence among those who have a special interest.
- 4. To help more people become concerned with the plight of so many children and families who today must seek help for their family difficulties.
- 5. To help underwrite financially the continued refining and expanding program through the operating budget as we recognize the increasing need and the rising cost to meet such needs.

To become a "Friend of Barium" in reality all one needs to do is to make a contribution of any size for the support of the above objectives.

In order to encourage gifts of large size, we have designed a giving program that recognizes various levels of giving

- I—A FRIEND OF BARIUM—gift of any
- amount up to \$100.

  II—A MEMBER OF "BARIUM CENTURY CLUB"-gift of \$100.
- III—A BARIUM COTTAGE PATRON—gift of
- IV—A BARIUM RESEARCH ASSOCIATE—gift of \$500.
- V-A BARIUM PROGRAM BENEFACTORgift of \$1000.

You might be interested in some of the ways a gift at the various levels can be used to help in the total effort. Let's list them.

- I—As a BARIUM CENTURY CLUB MEMBER a gift of \$100 will:
  - 1. Clothe one child-one year
  - 2. Send 3 youths to church camp
  - Provide tutoring-one youth
  - Purchase religious education literature—3
  - Provide recreational outing-25 children
  - 6. Pay transportation for home visits 10 children
  - 7. Day care—working mother—3 children one month
- 8. Equip 3 high school athletes
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  - 1. Furnish allowances—one cottage— 3 months
  - 2. Provide meals—one cottage—3 weeks

- 3. Pay school expense—one cottage months
- 4. Maintenance and utilities—one cottage-
- 5. Pay expense off-campus Group Home one week
- 6. Provide special needed equipment one cottage
- 7. Furnish special clothing needs-
- one cottage

  8. Provide relief houseparent—3 cottages one month
- III-As a BARIUM RESEARCH ASSOCIATE a gift of \$500 will:
  - 1. Provide staff consultation service one week
  - 2. Provide social services—20 families weeks
  - 3. Help defray cost in-service training
  - Initiate new pilot projects
  - Print and distribute 25,000 pamphlets
  - Pay cost Barium Messenger—one issue Provide help for research studies
- 8. Help defray long-range planning costs IV—As a BARIUM PROGRAM BENEFACTOR a gift of \$1000 will:

  1. Underwrite total program budget 17 hours,
  - 10 minutes, 31 seconds
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  - 3. Underwrite part-time youth worker at Church
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  - 5. Underwrite cost of development consultation
  - 6. Underwrite kindergarten teacher-12 weeks

All gifts will be properly recorded and promptly acknowledged. A "Friends of Barium" sticker, attractively designed, will be sent each donor. We would hope these would be used on cars or otherwise to display your membership as a "Friend of Barium."

Please remember all people are welcome at Barium at any time, whether a direct contributor or not. We do earnestly and sincerely solicit your support on behalf of the children and families who seek the services offered through this ministry of the Presbyterian Church. We look forward to welcoming you as a "Friend of Barium" on any basis which you choose. Incidentally, direct mailings to certain individuals will be made from time to time with a special invitation to support this program of develop-

# Alumni News

We were happy to have three members of the Beattie family visit us recently-Jake from Charlotte, Martha from Richmond, and Robert from Shreveport, Louisiana.

Neely Ford spent a few days at Barium. She is enjoying her retirement at her home in Canton.

Rufus Long came from Korea on the S. S. President Cleveland with his son George, age 15, and daughter, Lucy, age 13. They came by Barium on their way to Montreat. They returned to Seoul, Korea on the 12th. Rufus will be there for two more years.

Marian McCall Kleckly and her family moved in March into a new home in the Windsor Lake section in Columbia. Jim is manager of a branch real estate office that has opened in a new development. Ann is a sophomore at U.S.C. She was a National Merit Scholarship finalist. Jimmy is a junior in high school.

Charles Barrett made a talk at commencement at the Community College in Miami in early August. His family enjoyed the trip to Florida with him. They visited Cape Kennedy, Marineland, African Lion Safari at West Palm Beach, and Silver Springs. The last of August Charles went to Colorado for an Institute.

Franklin Lentz, his wife and two children from Gainesville, Florida visited Barium. They were on their way to Asheville for a Conference of Insurance Workers. Franklin is an elder in the Highland Presbyterian Church in Gainesville. Frederick and his family also live in Gainesville.

Marley Sigmon is the new head football coach at East High in Rutherford County. He has previously been with R. S. Central in Rutherfordton.

Larry Joyner visited Barium. He has been working and going to school in New York and was going to San Francisco to work and enter college there. He has completed two years in college.

Wayne Rogers has entered the Lutheran Seminary in Mississippi.

David Blalock visited Barium recently. He is a senior at East Carolina University. Don graduated from Mitchell in June and is entering East Tennessee State at Johnson City.

Ernest Stricklin who has been with the Board of Christian Education in Richmond moved to Athens, Ohio in September where he will be associate professor and chairman of the Development of Family Life and Child Development at Ohio University.

Bobby Grier visited on the campus. He is going to school in New York and working for an insurance company.

Lorena Clark Piner from Fayetteville visited in Statesville and Barium the last of August.

Bonnie (Brown) and Robert Williams announce the birth of a son at Davis Hospital on September

Jimmy and Rae Johnson and two children, Terry and Keith, have moved to Claremont. Jim is Principal of the Claremont Elementary School.

# WEDDINGS

Mack Wynn and Ellen McBryde were married August 24th at the First Presbyterian Church in Concord.

James Hoover and Pamela Mc-Neely were married September 6th at Bethesda Presbyterian Church.

## **DEATHS**

Staff Sgt. George Elmer Cannon of Tarboro was killed in Vietnam on August 6th. He was a member of the 919th Engineering Company of the 11th Armored Division and had served approximately for 13 years. His wife and son, George, Jr., live in Tarboro.

Miss Vivian Douglas died July 25. The service was held at Centre Presbyterian Church. She was among the first group of children to enter Barium.

Mrs. Howie, wife of Dr. Sam E. Howie, died August 11th.

John Archer Miller died in Statesville in May. His sisters, Esther and Avis (Mrs. Roy McLaughlin) live in Charlotte.

Laura Northrop Jackins, wife of R. E. Jackins (Buck), died the latter part of August in Statesville.

# HOMECOMING

Homecoming day was a very special day for all of us. It was fine to see so many of you back and we missed you who were not able to be here. There was a good crowd and the weather was wonderful. It seemed there were more younger alumni here than usual and many older ones. We wish we could list the names of those here but among the older ones were E. H. Smith from China Grove, Roland Ferguson from Charlotte, and H. C. Clubb from Kernersville. Shortie McConnell, who rarely misses, was unable to come because of illness. He and his wife celebrated their golden wedding anniversary July 9th. Charles Barrett was speaking at the commencement of the Community College in Miami and Hilda Bernardo, Leila Johnston, and Jake Beattie had to change their plans, and there were others we heard

from who were unable to be here. Shirley Shaw Clawson from Jacksonville, Florida had not been here since she left. The alumni came from South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Georgia, Florida, New York and Seoul, Korea. Nelson Farmer did a fine job

teaching the Adult Sunday School Class and Paul Horne brought a wonderful message at the morning

During the business meeting the Association agreed to contribute \$400. from the Treasury for the Educational Building at the Church. The individual response of the alumni has been good. From a recent letter: "Enclosed is a check for a hundred dollars from my sister and me. We would like for it to be much more as we are so pleased with the plan of having a Educational Building there at the Home.

Speaking of home it is still that for me, even if I did graduate and leave in 1912.

We are delighted that your children and grandchildren look forward to this celebration every year.

The present officers will serve another year.

President—Ed Cole Secretary—Donald Mitchell Treasurer—Sallie Farmer Cole

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# "TRIPLE TALK"

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

A very tired father was standing in front of the grocery store with his young son, apparently waiting for his wife. It wasn't long before the child began to cry. "There, there, Donald, "said the young man. "Don't get upset, Donald. It won't be long till Mother is back." Just about that time, an elderly lady passed by and said, "You surely do know what to say to calm a baby." Then turning to the child, she said, "Be a good boy like Daddy says, Donald." At which remark the young man interrupted and said, "Lady, you have it wrong. He's George. I'm Donald."

Like Donald, we as Christians are speaking to ourselves. We cannot seem to get our message across, and most people have stopped listening to the good news. We cannot communicate. Ministers are having difficulty preaching, teachers are having trouble teaching, laymen have about given up witnessing, and parents cannot talk to the children of the

Many factors enter this failure. While some do not have much to say in the first place, and much of the world and many of the church members do not really want to hear the gospel, there are other reasons for the trouble.

A major mistake is to assume that all we have to do is to speak the word and others will hear. It is questionable however, that they will hear in this one way process. Even if they listen, it is somewhat doubtful they will hear what we thought we said.

Scientists and linguists are experimenting on a new translator box. There are in addition to mike and speaker, an assortment of buttons by which the operator may choose a particular language he wishes to translate from English. Touch a button, speak into the machine, and in a matter of seconds, the whole thing goes to work. After a few seconds a voice with all the proper inflections comes out of the speaker. In one of the earlier trials, one of the operators spoke into the mike, "The spirit is willing but the flesh is weak." The machine responded in perfect French (literally translated), "The whiskey is good, but the meat is tough.'

I am afraid that much of what is said in the pulpit, and much of what is taught in the classroom gets about that distorted in the attempt to teach the Gospel.

Communication is not a one-way process. It is two-way. An elementary teacher at the beginning of school tried to explain the rules and regulations of her kindergarten class. She said, "Now if any of you has to go to the bathroom, raise your hand." A very surprised little boy in the middle row asked, "How will that help?"

I'm sure that it was not until the teacher explained that he understood, "How it would help." But the dialogue between the two of them was crucial to understanding, and dialogue between the speaker and listeners is essential before most persons get the message. We need to do much more experimenting with the two way process of communication.

But most literature on communication, even that which stresses the importance of dialogue is not adequate for communicating the gospel. There is a third direction which must be considered when we think in terms of getting our message across. This third factor is the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

"The Holy Spirit . . . will teach you all things." (John 14:26). It is one of his functions to help in communicating the Gospel. If the Spirit is absent or ignored then nothing positive will happen when the teacher or preacher speaks. If he is actively present, then major obstacles may be overcome.

In a certain part of Russia, many Christians were persecuted whenever they tried to meet together. Underground groups were formed and the people were careful to meet inconspiciously, traveling together in groups of two or three. However, the secret police always managed to place a few informers in the meetings, so many were arrested.

One day as one of the leaders was praying, the thought came to him that God could communicate directly to the hearts of believers. The leader felt he was directed by the Holy Spirit to the time and place of the next meeting, but he told no one. He went wondering if anyone else would be present. When he arrived, however, twenty-five people were already there! Needless to say the secret police was confused and frustrated for a good while. In many towns in Russia, today Christians are called together by this sole means of announcement.

Ordinarily, however, we should seek to use three way communication or "triple-talk." An interesting story in Acts 8 is the account of Philip and the Ethiopian eunuch. In the incident, Philip is directed by the Spirit to witness to the Ethiopian. The text was a passage of Isaiah the eunuch could not understand. As the two men talked about the Scripture, insight came. Shortly the Ethiopian was converted and baptized. One way, two way, and three way communication—all are present in the story.

If we are going to get our message across, we had best realize that we cannot leave out any part of this three way process.

# HAPPENINGS "DURING SUMMER"

When the school bells rang summoning Iredell County students back to their books and studies, it marked the end of a busy summer for our children on campus. It is our purpose to provide a wide variety of experiences for our boys and girls as well as creating opportunities to establish meaningful relationships with others, particularly concerned adults.

The prime ingredient for any successful program of this nature is a qualified staff and our extra staff this summer was a truly outstanding one. Four members of the permanent campus staff were assigned to the activities program on either a full or part-time basis and a professional music instructor was added from the public school system. The activities staff was further augmented by using highly qualified students from four outstanding Presbyterian institutions of higher learning: Agnes Scott College, Davidson College, Columbia Theological Seminary and Mary Baldwin College.

Special trips ranging over a three state area were conducted throughout the summer. In North Carolina, White Lake, Atlantic Beach, Mount Mitchell and the Charlotte Nature Museum were visited at various times by campus groups. One cottage of small boys thoroughly enjoyed a train ride from Charlotte to Salisbury. A cottage of small girls went to Myrtle Beach, South Carolina while trips to Georgia were made to Stone Mountain, Cyclorama, the Atlanta Zoo and the tremendously popular Six Flags Over Georgia.

Special church activities were offered during the summer also. Interest groups were formed for discussion and study under the direction of our seminary and college students. Youth traveled to Kannapolis to participate in that city's Festival of Faith which featured internationally known per-sonalities of strong Christian persuasion. More than fifty of our children attended church camp at either Camp Grier or Camp Susan Barbour Jones during eight separate camp sessions.

In the community, more than twenty of our boys were members of the Troutman Little League program and, several times each week, groups went into Statesville for a round of Putt-Putt golf.

On campus, a well rounded program of sports activities was offered each day including swimming, softball, tennis, field hockey, volley ball, tether ball and similar playground activities. Expert instruc-tion was provided in archery and tennis. Four of our boys talented in basketball attended the Davidson Wildcat Basketball Camp while three of our girls received instruc-tion at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro's basketball camp for girls. One of our boys was named Most Valuable Player at the Davidson school.

Creative activities were not neglected. A daily arts and crafts program was conducted with outstanding results. Boys and girls displayed their efforts at a Crafts Show at the end of summer with awards being made to outstanding entries. Guitar lessons by a professional instructor were offered and more than twenty of our children took advantage of this opportunity.

One of the high points of the summer was the annual talent show in which more than eighty children and staff participated. A truly enjoyable evening was had by all attending as the boys and girls cavorted on stage and "did their thing".

# After The Summer...

More than anything else, it was a feeling. It all began with a cloudy concept of doing something worth-while, and ended with a feeling not of good, solid self-satisfaction, but of regret for having had to finish a job that I had only learned how to begin. Not of an energetic drive for curing the "ills of the world", but of a questioning as to how to go about it; not of a general warm feeling for the idea of Barium, but of a strong admiration fot the way it operates and a very real love for its individuals.

All during the summer I was kept busy acquiring a whole storage of experiences. Having to deal freely with all kinds of situations was definitely one of the most fun and useful parts of the summer, the fact that it was mostly trial and error making it more exciting! I soon found that the more situations I dealt with, the easier it became, and each experience eventually became part of a pattern. The houseparents and staff, most often, were the ones who were able to help me see the overall picture.

But my best teachers of the summer, by far, were the children. What they taught me in our daily give-and-take were the things that made me feel like I was coming out with a little more than when I went in. They taught me, perhaps most of all, how important it is to retain one's own individuality. This, it seemed to me, was one of the greatest problems at Barium, with so many pressures making it hard to remain an individual. I learned a lot, but there's one more thing I'd like to ask: WHO LEFT THE SEVEN LIVE FROGS IN THE CRAFTS ROOM??

So it was one great summer. But more than that, well . . . it just was more than that. A feeling is hard to explain.

CONNIE LOWRANCE Editors Note: Miss Lowrance is a sophomore at Mary Baldwin College and spent the summer as a staff person at Barium. We thought you would like to read what she has related above about her ex-

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# COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Many times the most effective help families get comes through agencies and programs within their local communities.

Today, children in almost every case, who come into group care have a family. Separation and divorce, abuse, neglect, illness, imprisonment, etc., has made it impossible for them to remain at home. Children knowing that their parents are living, but are unable to live with them, makes helping them a much more difficult task.

Family Service Approach

There is growing conviction on the part of institutions and agencies that to be of optimum help to the child, help must be given the total family. Therefore it is no longer custodial care of the child but rehabilitative assistance and support to the family unit, aimed toward a more stable home life, and a return of the child to his family. Because of this factor the more services available in the local community. the greater the chance of help. We like to think of assistance being given early enough in family breakdown to be preventive and eliminate, when possible, the need for the removal of children from the home. You say "but what can my community do?" Let me tell you what one community did.

Shelter Home of Cleveland County, Inc.

The home you see pictured serves children on a short term (90 days) emergency care basis. They come from every type of family crisis situation. Here they are given excellent care while the social agency plans and works with the family to determine a sound, more permanent plan for the child. Given this time, the agency is able to plan more carefully with the child and his family. Many times the child returns to his own home. Some may need adoption. Others may need a longer period of foster care. Very few facilities exist that give quality care in a time of emergency and family crisis. This was spot-lighted in the correspondence from the State Department of Social Services upon receiving their license. The correspondence stated that "his is a unique and valuable service to children and families-a first in North Carolina.'

This Shelter Care Home received its first child in March of this year. On occasions its capacity of eight children has been filled. Just prior to this writing the home has served 23 children since its opening. It is expected that 50 or more children

will be served annually.

In speaking to the Director of the Department of Social Services in the county, he said, "I don't know what we would have done without this resource." It is utilized by other social agencies in the community as well

In one situation a boy almost two

years old came into the home suffering from severe malnutrition and anemia, weighing only 18 pounds. He also had a diabetic condition. Within a few weeks, with good care, special diets, etc., the change has been amazing. He now weighs 34 pounds and his activities are those of an active two year old.

The home is there to serve children, on a short term basis, of all races, color and creed. Reception by the community has been most commendable. Many groups have assisted in various ways to the needs of the home, and continue to have a real interest in what is being

**Background** 

How did this much needed resource become a reality? The Men's Bible Class at the First Presbyterian Church in Shelby felt the need to explore ways they could be of help to families in need within their community. An invitation was extended to the administration at Barium Springs to meet with them and help them in their thinking. The idea of emergency shelter care was immediately appealing to the group. We were asked to make a study to substantiate the need for such a program. Through a study of the community, the need was determined and recommendations were presented. It was suggested that other churches be invited to participate in this effort and make it a project for the churches of the community. Four other churches responded very positively and a board of directors was elected with equal representation from each of the five churches. Constitution and by-laws were written and the corporation was formed. Their next step was to find and purchase a large modern residence that would accommodate eight (8) children, and the man and wife couple who live and work with the children.

Not only has this become a vital service to the community, but the churches coming together in a cooperative effort of this nature has

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# LITTLE ONES--CRY-OUT P926 "Mold Me-Make Me"



THEIR FUTURE IS IN YOUR HANDS

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING GIFT



By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

### THE COURTS OF THE LORD

The wind blew, the clouds swirled, the thunder boomed, and the lightning struck. The spring shower fell heavily. The storm rushed past in the early morning leaving rivulets across the pavement and pools along the way. Suddenly the sun shone through, its brightness reflected on the freshly christened earth. The sweet, clean odor of a new day permeated the air.

As I drove up to the church court yard I saw a half grown brown thrasher, thoroughly soaked, huddled by the corner of the building. I sat for a moment in the car and watched, wondering what the bird would do. It looked pathetically frightened, completely demoralized. It seemed to be wondering what sort of world it was in, and how it was going to survive such powerful forces as the passing storm. It did not move, but looked up at me sitting in the car. I could imagine it saying, "What is this thing?

I also did not move, but waited. As I watched, the mother thrasher suddenly appeared. She sailed over the car, almost hit the half grown fledgling, and landed a few feet beyond on the wet pavement. The young bird immediately followed, trying to fly with its stubby wet wings, but was hardly able to get more than a few inches off the ground before falling back to earth. There it sat, looking disappointed and disgruntled, frustrated and forestalled. I could almost hear it say to itself, "Why doesn't my mother come over here and help me?"

But the mother had other ideas. She seemed determined to stay just beyond the reach of her little offspring, and every time it would almost catch up with her she would move on. This game continued all the way across the parking lot, and when I finally lost sight of the two, the older thrasher was patiently and determinedly leading the little bird into the art of flying. Most likely it was this youngster, finally grown, that I saw later in the summer in the bushes and hedges around the church, for its courts was its home.

The thrashers had made the nest; the mother laid the eggs; and the parents warmed the eggs until they were hatched. Then the pair spent

many hours doing nothing but feeding the brood.

There came a time, however, when the birds had to leave home. They could not stay there forever. The mother bird knew by instinct when the time was right. If the young ones had not already fallen, she pushed them out. They had to leave and go into the world for this is where they would live. She was not sentimental. She was almost cruel. But she fulfilled the function of mother, and when the time came she broke the tie. From then on they were on their own.

I left the car and walked over to the Fellowship Hall. There under the archway was another half grown, wet, brown thrasher, frightened and huddled up against an urn. He had found refuge in the breeze way. I thought of Psalm 84: "Yea the sparrow hath found a house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even thine altars,

O Lord of hosts, my King, and my God.

Perhaps the mother had lost this little bird. Or maybe she was so busy with the other that she hadn't time for it. Perhaps with so many to take care of she really couldn't manage to do her best with all of them. Who can know what the reason might be, but here was the little thrasher all alone, snuggled up against the urn. It had found refuge in the courts of the Lord, in the house of God, even in the shadow of the Almighty. And I suspect that as it waited there it was not too long before it was found.

All of us must leave the "nest." Usually we are ready to make this move, eagerly or reluctantly. But we still need the "courts of the Lord."

Sometimes we may be uprooted from our homes or lost from our mothers. Our parents may have failed us, or for one reason or another been unable to attend to us. Maybe we have failed our parents and have broken the ties of communication. But there is a place where we can find refuge from the storms of life until "parents" can be found. In this

place we may learn to grow and face the world as mature adults.

This place is the "House" of God our Father, even the Church which is our mother, where through his Holy Spirit we find Jesus Christ our brother. Here we have a home ."How lovely is thy dwelling place. O Lord of hosts! My soul longs, yea, faints for the courts of the Lord."

YOUTH ATTEND "RESTLESS ONES"

Practically all the Pioneer and Senior High Fellowship members voluntarily attended the film, "The Restless Ones." This film, a Billy Graham, World Wide Pictures presentation, was shown at the Playhouse Theater in Statesville. Tickets were donated to the fellowships by Mr. Fred Lowry.

# **TOWARD NEW GOALS**

Ta meet the challenge of children and families in need, we are cantinually on the alert in planning aur services. Gaps in services are ta be filled; new gaals arrived at. We dare not stand stillfarward we must go.

# THE PRE-SCHOOL CHILD

This year we have put into operation two new services that have as their gaal the preparing af the very young child to meet life in his later years. One is to serve the child who can cantinue to live at home even thaugh his hame is a disadvantaged ane. The other is ta help the young child who must leave hame.

# THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

For the child who cantinues ta live at hame we believe that whalesome experiences of spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional and sacial development can be pravided through quality family ariented day care pragrams, kindergartens, and nursery schaals. In September, we began a demanstration Center with farty children.

### THE FAMILY CARE HOME

Some young children must leave their hame but to place them in an institution would be whally unfair. Thus, we have developed as part af aur multiple services ta children and families a new type hame far such children. Fram two ta four children will live with a family in the community. The big difference is that this family will be a part of the staff, thus receiving training and supervision. Such an arrangement not only provides the personal attention needed by young children but security af planning and care not possible in the ardinary foster family home.

### WHAT'S YOUR PART?

Well, really it means providing us with financial resources to make the abave passible for more and more children. God has blessed most af us far beyond that which we deserve. We ask that you caunt your blessings this Thanksgiving season and find a way to share some of them with those less fortunate. God laves a cheerful giver. His grace is sufficient for us all.

# Our New Format . . .

With this issue The Barium Messenger takes on a new look. This change has been planned for some time. How do you like it?

We see the Messenger as one of our best ways to interpret the program of child and family care to the constituency of the church. Our readers are numerous. The mailing list is almost 30,000 families. We are delighted always to hear from our readers. If you have suggestions to make we would be glad to receive them.

REMEMBER BARIUM SPRINGS IN YOUR WILL

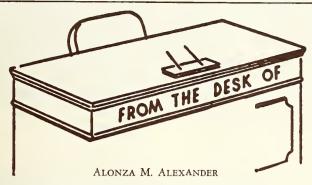
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# THE FAMILY AND CHILD

On a September day in 1969, a dream became a reality as children entered the renovated Lottie Walker Building for the first time and we began the first day of the new Family and Child Development Center of Barium Springs Home for Children. A new service was added to the already existing multiple child-care service at Barium Springs.

Not all children came, as the old adage says, "bright eyed and bushy tailed." Some came with eager anticipation to be sure, but others were painfully shy and apprehensive as one might expect from a small child entering a day care facility for the first time.

This environment is not altogether like home, but nevertheless it is

designed to stimulate confidence and trust—first, from the teachers, aides, and the whole staff; and secondly, from the physical environment. It is like an inviting pool of water on a hot summer day. The entire setting attempts to say: "Come on in, the water is fine. You can trust us. The things you find in the rooms are inviting you to try them out, to experiment with them, and to explore."

What is hapening here at the Center, other than watching over a group of children? Is it simply baby-sitting? Are these children "learning" anything? Before we decide that they are wasting their time in idle fancy and ought to be "learning their alphabet", perhaps

we should look closer.

Each in his own way is finding answers to some weighty and vital problem. In play that is fun, absorbing and challenging, each is learning. It is fairly easy to recognize how children may enhance their physical growth as they jump, run, climb, swing, push, and pull. It should also be clear that children come to a deeper understanding of themselves and others when they pretend to be others, like mother, policemen, and bridge builders. When a child moves in group play, when he shares and takes turns, when he recognizes another's pain and frustration, when he acts out his own conflicts, anxieties, fears, confusions, in a world of make believe, he is doing the plain, hard, uncompromising work of growing up. He is challenged to create, imagine, explore, experiment, fail, and succeed. In the process he begins to learn who he is, what he can do. and what it means to live and work in harmony with others. The experience at the center itself can perhaps be summed up in these words: Our task is not to fill minds, but rather to open them for exploration and experimentation.

Our concern does not end with the child in the center, but continues with the child in relation to the home. Thus we have as a part of our staff a family worker to help bridge the gap between what happens in the center and in the home. When the staff is aware of what is happening in the home, they can move with better understanding and give aid to the child. Through home visits the family worker can give aid to the family and help them find resources to ease the burden at home.

In working with the family and child, we are serving the community. Our center at Barium Springs is serving the communities of the Statesville-Troutman area. About 75% of the anticipated enrollment of 40-three, four and five year olds - will be from the low socio-economic sector of the community. Many of these are served through the cooperation of the Iredell County Department of Social Services on a "purchase of care" program. The other 25% of the enrollment will be drawn from the other sectors of the community, including those of the more affiuent homes, who desire a quality preschool program for their children, plus a full day care program.

The Center meets the standards of licensing and approval of the North Carolina Department of So-

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# DAILY PANORAMA: Family and Child Development Center

Creating, relating, playing, building, restoring, learning and growing are all part of the scenes in this new program. Pictured are new faces in groups of work and play.



# INMEMORY

Gifts have been presented to Barium Springs Home For Children to the memory and honor of those listed below. In the youth and potential of children, life renews itself.

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problems early in the life of the The Family and Child child that can aid in prevention of (Continued from Page 3) troubles in his later years. We do

cial Services for Day-Care facilities and even goes beyond such standcare for the child and his parents but to have a quality program that will benefit the total family. Later we hope to add an advisory or consultant service to the local Presbyterian churches and other churches

ards in health and safety, space, adult-child ratio, educational requirements of staff and equipment. We do this in order that we might give quality service to the immediate community, but also that we will be a demonstration or model program of nursery, kindergarten and day care to the churches of the Synod of North Carolina. Other goals include the hopes of breaking the dependency cycle of low socioeconomic families; to give the culturally deprived child an opportunity to be prepared to enter school on an equal basis with the privileged ones. We hope to be able to demonstrate that a family can be helped by giving service to children in day care, and to strengthen the family life of culturally deprived homes, and in the long range to see what effect such a program may have on the work habits of these children as they grow. We

will be able to observe and detect

and communities who wish to establish such quality centers in their communities. not exist to simply give custodial

Such a ministry as this can be a part of every community, for as we minister unto the least of these, we do so to our Master. As He said, "Let the little children come to me, do not hinder them, for such is the Kingdom of Heaven.

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# Little Joe's Presbyterian Church

A Very Beautiful Church

The Wing At Right Is Small Fellowship Room But

There Is NO Educational Building

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.



# A MOUSE IN THE HOUSE

Late Friday night the slumber party was in full session. Pillows, blankets, and quilts were spread over the living room. The girls were enjoying themselves, although it is doubtful if they planned much sleep.

At any rate, I was sure there would be more raucous raving than calm repose so had retired to the bedroom and turned on the air conditioner and the fan to drown out the noise. I was just getting relaxed when I heard a shout and the beat of running feet. The door opened and my daughter broke the news: "There's a mouse in the living room. The girls are standing on the chairs."

"Is that right?" I said. "Well, don't hurt the poor thing. I am sure you have scared him to death." Indignantly my wife said, "What are you going to do about it?" To which I replied, "Go back to sleep, if I can."

The next day we had traps and poison all over the house. We caught a couple of mice, but there appeared to be one poor creature that was either very brave or very stupid. He just wandered around from room to room. The girls tried to catch him in a jar, but he always managed to get in a closet.

Finally, I decided I would have to take action. The next time he showed his beady eyes we cornered him under the register. We prodded him out, and as he loped past my feet I let him have my ace serve with a fly swatter. A couple of blows and he was out of this world. However, the girls seemed to be as unhappy about his decease as they were about his former presence. But after all, no one really wants a mouse in the house. He just doesn't belong there.

There is a sense in which we can think of ourselves as being houses of God. There may be a lot of good things in most of us, including the Spirit of God, but just as most persons do not want to admit that they have a mouse in the house, most of us do not want to face that there is in us something that doesn't belong. Sometimes, however, the mouse who has been there all along shows up. It may terrify some of us. We may not feel afraid, but act like a lazy father who wished only to get back to sleep, or like double-minded children who would keep one for a pet if they could catch and control it.

Now this "mouse" has been called different things, such as sin, demons, complexes, bad memories—just to name a few. Perhaps it would be better to speak of mice rather than a mouse, for the bad thing in us is probably a combination of all these and maybe more. They begin coming into us before we are born and continue living with us as long as we let them.

But the mice really ought to go, as any good public health or sanitation expert will tell you. Jesus tells us that the mice in our lives must goparticularly that one we would like to pet—as long as we are in control. You know which one I mean.

He further tells us that he will get rid of them for us if we will only let him. Certainly, this involves a little cooperation or willingness on our part. If we really want a good extermination job it will take the help of someone who has already seen what Jesus can do and can help show where the mice are hidden. If we will tell this person where we have noticed them, in the closet, in the kitchen, or in the basement where things we have stored and perhaps forgotten are hidden, then he can help us exorcise them.

Perhaps the ones that are in the cellar are the most important because it is in the unconscious that we have the most trouble. But the wonder of Jesus Christ our exterminator is that he can reach into any area and deliver us from any mouse in the house.

# Our Responsible Citizens

One of the most difficult things for a children's home to accomplish is to give boys and girls enough responsibility to enable them to grow into responsible adults. We have recently developed a plan which allows our high school students to select and purchase their own clothing in nearby Statesville. We believe that our readers will find the development of this plan interesting.

For several months most of the weekly houseparents' meetings were spent devising a plan that would be workable and practical. As each problem was ironed out, this was cleared with administration and ideas gathered from other staff. Finally, the boys and girls were called together

and the plan was proudly presented.

Those of you who have teenage children can guess what happened. They promptly tore our plan apart and began making suggestions of their own. One asked, "Why don't you issue us charge cards?" Why Not??? As is so often true, their thinking was better than ours. The charge card is reproduced below and is the core of a workable program which has been enthusiastically received by area merchants.

We hope that this program can soon be enlarged to include younger children. Also, there is the hope, and belief, that our older boys and girls will become able to handle a monthly cash allowance which would cover clothing, school lunches, school supplies, and spending money. However, our readers may rest assured that in any efforts to develop responsibleness we will solicit the advice and counsel of the teenagers living at Barium. After all, is this not a Home For Children?

# BARIUM SPRINGS HOME FOR CHILDREN

Issued To

### CLOTHING CHARGE CARD

Signature

STATESVILLE MERCHANTS:

The young person bearing this card is a resident of Barium Springs Home for Children. I hereby guarantee payment of all clothing purchases made and signed for by him or her.

Should you have any problem or question please call his or her

houseparent, .

Executive Director

# Alumni News

We have enjoyed recent visits from the following: Martha Beattie McGrath, Richmond, Jake Beattie, Charlotte, James Shroyer, Graham, Dona Clark (wife of Tom Clark), Raleigh, Lorene Clark Piner, Fayetteville, Rev. John Carriker, Charlotte, Paul Horne, Charlotte.

Wilma Campbell Osborne visited Barium with a group from the Presbyterian Church in Cooleemee.

Jerry Young was ordained and installed an elder in the Back Creek Presbyterian Church recently.

Jim Hoover was promoted to Sgt. recently. He is stationed at Quantico, Virginia.

Douglas Byrd is a senior at Pembroke College this year. Mike Walden entered Appalachian, Debbie Kennedy, Wingate, Tom Gilmore, Western Carolina, this fall. Nancy Finley is a sophomore at Montreat-Anderson, David Blalock and Gail Nance, seniors at East Carolina, Jim Campbell is also at East Carolina. Howard Cox is a senior at Atlantic Christian, Donald Blalock, a junior at East Tennessee at Johnson City.

Eddie Webb entered Pembroke but had to drop out this quarter because of illness.

Mr. "Shorty" McConnell is ill in

the Newton Hospital.

Albert Cumbie has a son, Steve, who is a senior at the U.N.C. at Chapel Hill this year and his younger son, Dick, is a freshman

David Spencer, Jr., entered the University of Tennessee this year after graduating at McCallie this spring, and Bobby Spencer, son of Bobbie and Ralph Spencer of Cleveland, Tennessee, is a junior, at U.T.

The engagement of Lou Anna Bridgers to James Neely Porter III of Charlotte appeared in The Charlotte Observer recently. The wedding is to be December 27th.

Louise Martin Carson's oldest son, Frank, Jr., is a senior in high school this year. He drives a school bus for the mentally retarded. He came in 3rd in a car rodeo obstacle course at the Southern Fair in Winston-Salem.

Born to Carol and Henry Harris, a daughter, Chrystal Faith, on October 27th. Henry works for IBM in Raleigh. They moved into a new home at 805 Edison Road recently.

Gene Love's wife and daughter were killed in an auto accident near Kannapolis in October. Gene was at Barium from 1934-1938. He

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# Child Care Expert Says 'Youth Power' Is A Major Social Force

CHAPEL HILL—"Youth power" has become a dominating force in modern society and adults must learn to cope with it, says a child care expert at the University of North Carolina here.

"The development of 'youth power' may be the means whereby we change the course of generations who have almost discredited their youth or forced them into pseudo adulthood before they were ready," observes Samuel Fudge.

"Youth power may cause adults to start acting like teenagers, and to start dealing with their ideas and uninhibited approaches on a great many subjects."

Fudge is Executive Director of the Group Child Care Consultant Services. He has worked closely with teenagers during visits to some 60 child-care institutions throughout the United States in the past few years.

"College students, mixed with a handful of dissatisfied teachers and graduate students, have disrupted class schedules from California to New York, and high school students have picketed schools and cut classes," he notes.

"The dollar power of youth is being sought by everyone—from shopping centers to dope pushers. We adults will make a great mistake if we close our eyes to what businessmen have discovered about young people—that they have made and are making a profound influence on today's society," he says.

"Certainly, we should keep pace with Wall Street in recognizing youth's need for limits, their vacillating behavior, and their need for some release from and support during the educational, social and physical pressures they face."

Fudge offers several proposals for bridging "the generation gap" and promoting understanding of "youth power."

He suggests that adults treat young people like adolescents and take time to listen to what they are saying. He also suggests that adults "act their age."

Young people, he advises, should be treated as individuals who will soon be adults in a society placing demands on them and one that can soon "break their spirit" if they have not been conditioned to live in it. He thinks young people have always been "the scapegoat of society."

Fudge sees traditional adolescence vanishing in America today as children are forced into adulthood at increasingly earlier ages.

"High schools are run like colleges and the very young girls dress

like women," he illustrates. "Boys are just precocious at the insistence of many parents."

Calling on adults to listen to adolescents, Fudge admits the "sound of youth" is as loud as their clothes.

"But we hear only the noise.... see only the hair or hemline.... and don't really pick out the words of their songs and the meaning of their 'new look.' We have 'tuned them out' even when we aren't busy turning down the volume or threatening to shave their heads," he says.

"Some of their sounds are protesting legitimate inequalities of 'the system,' Some are saying 'help' and some are saying 'stop me,' Others are saying 'challenge me'—but all of them are suggesting that we take them seriously."

Young people he continues, do have good ideas and they do assume responsibility.

"They are knowledgeable about the 'climate' of the campus and a great majority are concerned about the image of the group in the community."

From his years of contact with teenagers. Fudge has found their two most common complaints to be that adults don't trust them and that nobody will listen to them.

He advises adults to "act their age" and shun temptations to invade the world of the adolescent.

"Some adults, including parents, have been hypnotized by teenage styles, dance and music. Adolescent-hood is hard enough for a youngster without having a bunch of adolescent-adults for authority figures

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or pals. We know the quickest way to kill a fad of the young is for adults to embrace it."

Fudge explains that when adults act like teens, they are not meeting youth's need for "stable authority figures strong enough to help, intelligent enough to understand and courageous enough to let them make some mistakes while growing."

Courtesy Asheville Citizen



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### Alumni News

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and his family live in Kannapolis. Theodore Castill Jones, brother of Alice Jones Bender of Philadelphia and May Lynn Wahl of Milford, Conn., died in Concord October 9th. Alice and May Lynn attended the funeral and spent one night with Louise Martin Carson in Winston-Salem.

Iris Henry, who was Mrs. M. S. Johnson, died in Charlotte in Oc-

Robert Blue died in Burlington November 3rd. Robert had not been well for a long time.

# Campus Happenings

Officers for Pioneer Fellowship: President, Ricky Scruggs; Vice-President, Richard McKinley; Secretary-Treasurer, Karen Austin; 7th Grade Representative, Steve Ellis; 8th Grade Representative, Ralph

Officers for Senior High Fellowship: President, Susan McKinley; Vice-President, Steve Gilmore; Secretary-Treasurer, Ann Ellis; 9th Grade Representative, Cyrena Wilson; 10th Grade Representative, Robert Wicker; 11th Grade Representative, Patsy Clark.

Football season is over at South Iredell High School and the Vikings made an excellent record. Two of our boys were in the program: Jeff Walden who was a starter for the Freshmen and Larry Ellis who started on the Junior Varsity and was elevated to the varsity the latter part of the season.

Deborah Duncan has had a busy year, to date, at South Iredell. In addition to being named captain of the freshman cheerleaders she was also honored by being named to the Viking Homecoming Court.

Richard McKinley was elected president of the student council at Troutman School and Steve Gilmore was elected treasurer of the sophomore class at South Iredell.

Sally Kinney has been appointed to the youth council of Concord Presbytery.

The Pioneer Fellowship had a great time recently on a combination hamburger fry-hayride.

The Senior High Fellowship is already busy with plans for the upcoming Christmas Season. The

plans include a "Spanish Christmas Party" for members and their guests and a service project to bring holiday joy to patients in a near-by nursing home.

Phillips, Robert S., Charlotte

The annual Halloween Carnival was held October 31st and our children and staff alike tried their luck at the many games on the "Midway," saw old-time movies in the "Nickelodeon Theatre," and enjoyed the hamburgers, hotdogs, soft drinks, cider and fruit at the refreshment stand.

Our sixth through twelfth grade boys plus some staff members have been invited to attend the 33rd annual Shrine Bowl game in Charlotte December 6th. This is one of the highlights of the year for our boys and we deeply appreciate the Shriners' generosity.

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# \$50,000 CHALLENGE GIFT

THE BUILDING...A MEMORIAL TO The Late CHARLES E. BARNHARDT



MR. CHARLES E. BARNHARDT

Mr. Barnhardt, one of a family of fourteen children, was a native of Cabarrus County. After graduating from Clemson College and Philadelphia Textile Institute he entered into his chosen work in the textile business where for many years he was a cotton broker.

He was married to Miss Edna Parsley of Portland, Oregon in 1929 and they made their home in Charlotte. Mr. Barnhardt died an accidental death in 1938 at the age of

An article in the Charlotte Ob-server spoke of Mr. Barnhardt as "an upright and devoted man, one to be counted on to do his share and more in any worthwhite undertaking. He was by choice or by nature. self-effacing in his charitable, civic and religious activities."

Mr. Barnhardt was a member and officer in Second Presbyterian Church, Charlotte (now Covenant



MRS. CHARLES E. BARNHARDT

Sitting in the comfortable chair in the living room of her lovely apartment, Mrs. Barnhardt told the Editor of her desire to help children and to provide a suitable memorial to her late husband.

She had visited Barium Springs and learned of the need for an educational building that would become a part of Little Joe's Presbyterian Church.

Through these columns the Board of Regents is pleased to announce that it has accepted her offer to

Church). He was President of the Men's Club of that church at the time of his death.

Mrs. Barnhardt says he was always interested in children and whenever children were around they seemed to want to get close to him. This was true even though he was never blessed with children of his

# Educational Building-Little Joe's Church

The Board of Regents of the Home is pleased to announce a challenge gift in the amount of \$50,000.00 toward the construction cost of an educational building for Little Joe's Presbyterian Church.

The present church was erected in 1955, consisting of a beautiful and most adequate sanctuary. There is also a pastor's study, choir room, kitchen, and very small fellowship room. No provision in the building was made for Christian education. For such, the old elementary school building somewhat removed physically from the church has been used for many years. Really this is an abandoned building, not even suitable for repair, and is most inadequate and uncomfortable.

Plans are in the making to build ample classroom facilities for both children and adults. Also to be provided will be a church parlor, library, and church school office space.

The real plus, however, is that

make a \$50,000 Challenge Gift. The commitment to provide this large and generous gift is conditional on Barium Springs securing an additional \$100,000.00 from other friends of Barium.

Mrs. Barnhardt, as indicated in another article in this MESSENGER, is a native of Portland, Oregon. She smiles and says she met her late husband in Seattle, Washington and that after a courtship of nine years they were married in the same city in 1929. She was the daughter of western pioneers, her parents having moved to Oregon from Ohio, going by oxen train in the middle of the nineteenth century.

the building will be designed for seven day a week usage. It is intended to be a model church school educational building, incorporating full facilities for week-day activities such as nursery school, kindergarten, and day care center. Special provisions will be made for the multiple

A vital part of the consideration is that it can be used by the Churches of Synod, and elsewhere, as a model to examine when considering a new building or remodeling program. The Family and Child Development Center now operated as a program of the Home will be housed in this building as a pilot or demonstration program.

The Home will offer consultation services to local churches and to communities, both as to the building itself and the related pilot programs. This is truly a project of Presbyterians in the Synod of North Carolina.

She, too, loves children. She talks most lovingly about them and speaks often of her great niece and great, great nephew, who are residents of Georgia.

Since Mr. Barnhardt's death she has continued to live in Charlotte where she is a loyal member of Covenant Presbyterian Church. She has given liberally to many charitable and church causes.

Of her late husband, she says, "Everybody loved him and he loved

people.'

We are sure other friends join with the Board of Regents, the staff, and children in expressing gratitude to Mrs. Barnhardt for this gift.



For Unto Us A Child Is Given

# (X) MARKS THE SPOT



Where you see the (X) on the above photograph is now just vacant land. The building you see is the small fellowship room and kitchen. The new educational building would tie on here and form a quadrangle with the sanctuary to the right. Let's make this land into a real place for the nurture of children and young people in the Christian faith.

# PRESENT FACILITIES



In these two pictures you have scenes from two of the rooms of the old elementary school building now used for the Church School.

This is not only a very old building, and thus inadequate and uncomfortable, but it is beyond repair for a Church School unit. It is also far removed from the Church and not very conducive to learning.

A new educational building at the church is thus very badly needed. And, too, here is the unique opportunity to design and build to fit the needs of a seven day a week program. All of us admit that the educational plants of our churches should be used more than at present. Possibly such a model as this will permit, can help other churches.

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### EDUCATIONAL BUILDING-GIFT BLANK

Mr. Nat K. Reiney, Executive Director

I (We) would like to join with other special friends of Barium to help meet this Challenge Gift and provide an educational building for the children at Little Joe's Presbyterian Church

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# WHAT CAN YOU DO?

The answer is simple. GIVE

We need a total of \$150,000.00. Thus to claim the \$50,000.00 challenge gift which Mrs. Barnhardt has so generously made possible, we must raise a total of \$100,000.00.

A START HAS BEEN MADE. The membership of Little Joe's Church has pledged \$5100.00; the alumni of Barium have given in cash \$3400.00; and, individual contributions to date are \$1500.00, making a total of \$10.000.00.

WE STILL NEED \$90,000.00. Let us suggest some possibilities:

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Ninety gifts\$	1,000	each
One hundred eighty gifts \$	500	each
Nine hundred gifts \$	100	each
Gifts of any size\$	1.00	and u

## ANY COMBINATION OF THE ABOVE WILL GET THE JOB DONE.

Make checks payable to Barium Springs Home for Children. The response of the friends of this ministry to children and families has always been good. Let us be good stewards again. You may wish to use the blank provided for this purpose in this issue of the THE MESSENGER.

# Church Pledges Support

While Little Joe's Presbyterian Church is a community church and a member of Concord Presbytery, the land and buildings are owned by Barium Springs Home for Children, a duly chartered agency of the

# The Story Of Little Joe

The story of the short life of Little Joe Gilliland has touched the lives of many. On Sunday morning, February 1, 1904, at the tender age of nine years, Little Joe most unexpectedly, was called "to go among the stars." He had come to call Barium his home only three years before, but his frail body, his warm heart, a very tender way of saying and doing things, and his whole personality made him very beloved of all the household.

In Little Joe's purse was found 45 cents he had saved toward the building of a church. Dr. Boyd, then Superintendent of Barium Springs, told the story of Little Joe's life. As told in "The Story of Little Joe and the Church," "Money began to flow in, in large and small streams, and in 1906 the building of "Little Joe's Church" was begun."

In the year 1958 Little Joe's Presbyterian Church celebrating its fiftieth anniversary, rejoiced in the use of the new sanctuary which had been erected and dedicated in 1955. This new sanctuary stands as a memorial to Little Joe, as well as to thousands of others who with their gifts large and small made possible its erection.

However, this is only a sanctuary. No good provision has yet been made for Christian Education. Let's join together in the same spirit, as those memoralized in the past, to make possible a place for Christian nurture of our children of today.

Presbyterian Church, U. S., Synod of North Carolina. Most of the active membership of the church consists of the children in the Home and of the resident staff. The Home, from its regular budget, contributes about 50% of the cost of operation, with the balance coming from the membership as above indicated.

The Session of Little Joe's Church in a regular meeting on November 5, 1969 passed the following resolution in support of the erection of an educational building. Whereas, the Session of Little Joe's Church in a meeting held on Feb. 5, 1969 agreed to cooperate with the Board of Regents of the Home in the securing of funds for the erection of an addition to the Church, and whereas, they did call a congregational meeting held on Feb. 18, 1969 that did unanimously approve the action of the Session and further agreed to conduct a financial campaign among its membership, and whereas, such a campaign was conducted, which to date has cash and pledges in the amount of \$4,987.08, the Session does now commend the leadership of the Board of Regents and the Administration of the Home in the securing of an initial challenge gift of \$50,000.00 and does hereby pledge its best efforts in securing payment of all its pledges and its continued full cooperation in completing the plans for the erection of such addi-

We would hope that this same fine spirit will prevail among the many friends of Barium in the churches of the Synod and that many of you will voluntarily make a gift in keeping with the way in which God has blessed you and in consideration of your other obligations to His Church and her program.

By REVEREND EARLE P. BARRON, JR.

# METAMORPHOSIS 3

Other than some "positive thinking" theories, many psychologists are pessimistic about man's change. Man easily gets worse, but hardly gets better. Usually, therapists see persons when they are in real distress or trouble, not before behavior patterns become deeply entrenched. About all they hope for is some form of positive adjustment.

Members of the helping professions, including ministers, may realize what is wrong with an individual and his family. Often they see what must be done to change the situation but know that most persons are going to settle for relief of anxiety or symptoms and not radical healing.

The Christian faith is usually judged on whether or not it changes persons. Some don't see much, so conclude that it doesn't work even though church history and Christian biography is full of evidence that it does. If the pessimism is not an excuse for lack of commitment, what bothers such persons most is their frustrated efforts to transform their own lives.

The Greek word for change used in II Corinthians 3:18 is metamorpho. The verse speaks of our being transformed by the "Lord who is the Spirit." Metamorphosis brings to mind a caterpillar being turned into a butterfly while it is in its cocoon. Not so pretty to begin with, it emerges and unfolds its beauty as it stretches its wings.

I believe this Christian psychology, which is not necessarily in conflict with all other theories, offers the most powerful means of change. In addition it thinks in terms of the ultimate "new creation." I see the change arising out of Christian faith as a paradox. We realize we can't change ourselves. When we accept this in Christ, then we will be changed.

Can the Ethiopian change his skin?

However, most of us will try to change ourselves by an effort of the will. Somewhere along the way we get a picture of being like Jesus or some other goal that is absolutely unreasonable. We strive toward this. We forget that verse 17 says "where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." But by fighting the shadow, as Jung calls the side of our selves we would like to get rid of, we only make it stronger and fall into bondage of the will, and get more set in our ways.

There is a law of reversed effect working in us that says when we quit trying so hard, paradoxically we may be changed. If not, then peace to live without the change and to harmonize the shadow is possible, and this in itself is a change.

What do you mean, mote and beam?

If we can't change ourselves directly then we may try to change our situation by changing others. This is why the church is guilty of the malpractice of brainwashing, threats, coercions, conformism, etc. Once when interviewed for a position I was asked what I thought I had to offer the persons I would work with. (How was I going to be able to change them)? I said that all I could do was to be myself in relation to these persons and let the Holy Spirit work through me as he willed. I don't think I was understood.

Who's the potter and who's the clay?

Usually the last resort is to try to get God to change us, by changing God. Many of us get angry with God because He won't do what we think He ought. We try to tell Him what is best for us, and He already

We ask Him for help. Why doesn't He respond?

The reason is we are trying to transform God, and He doesn't need it. When we learn what His will for us is and will it for ourselves, then

# Board Of Regents And Church Join Together

The building of this new educational building is to be a cooperative endeavor of the Board of Regents of the Home and the congregation of Little Joe's Presbyterian

The Board of Regents has a committee of three; the congregation named a similar number. These six people along with the pastor and executive director of the Home compose a committee to develop the final plans for approval of their respective bodies. They are already at work.

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TO: The Presbyterians of North Carolina And Other Priends of Barium Springs Home for Children

As a long time friend and supporter of Barium Springs Home for Children, and as one who has a deep concern for Christian Education, I would like to speak a word concerning an urgent need at Barium.

The members of the Presbyterian Church and other friends have been most generous in their support of this institution. We now have at Barium lovely and adequate buildings and facilities for most necessary activities that should take place there. There is, however, one glaring omission to the needs for an adequate religious training program for the life of the institution and community. We have reference to the need for a building and facilities for Christian Education.

The old abandoned school building, which is currently being used for this purpose, is unattractive, inadequate, uncomfortable and in sad need of repair. It does not lend itself to any program of renovation that could make it approximate an adequate place for a suitable program of Christian Education. Surely we want to provide a place for this important aspect of Christian nurture at Barium that is at least as attractive and adequate as are the buildings and facilities for other purposes.

Here is a real need. As our representative at Barium Springs set about to do something about this need we urge one and all to respond in genuine concern and sacrifice.

> Regional Director of Christian Education Synod of North Carolina

we may change. But this means accepting our inability to change ourselves and giving up pre-determined opinions about what He wants us to be. It means accepting the particular talent we have and not envying others. It may mean bucking conformity, and it certainly means taking our rightful place in the Body of Christ-whether it is hand or foot.

In all of this it is the Holy Spirit who changes us. He alone is able, and He does it His way, but usually through our relation of faith to Christ and love within the covenant community.



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Beshears, Daniel F., Thomasville
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# Summer Staff Requirements

Last year, response to a request carried in THE BARIUM MESSENG-ER, resulted in the gathering of an outstanding summer staff comprised of college students. Our thinking is that college students will be at home during the Holiday Season and may have sufficient time to give thought to their upcoming summer plans and, if interested, may also take time to make application for one of our summer jobs.

We will now accept applications for our summer activities staff. We are seeking alert, creative young men and women of Christian conviction who are capable of establishing meaningful relationships with our boys and girls in a summer program of recreation, arts and crafts, youth fellowship in Little

Joe's Church and related activities. We would prefer applicants who have completed their sophomore year in college but will consider younger persons if they possess the qualifications and maturity we need. We are specifically seeking playground personnel, arts and crafts counselors and a lifeguard.

Those employed must be available from early June until late August. They will work six days per week with additional time off provided when scheduling permits. Salaries are comparable to those paid summer camp counselors. Full room and board will be furnished. Please direct inquiries to:

T. J. Gilmore
Director of Youth Activities
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